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IN

WOBURN FIRST AND SECOND BURIAL-GROUNDS.

CHRONOLOGICALLY ARRANGED, WITH BRIEF ILLUSTRATIVE NOTES.

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FROM

"NOTES FOR A CONCISE HISTORY OF WOBURN."

By WILLIAM R. CUTTER.

Ancient Public Burial-Grounds. — In Woburn proper there are two ancient public burial-grounds. The first and oldest of these is on Park Street, Woburn Centre, and is probably coeval with the first settlement of the town, 1642. The second burial-ground is on Montvale Avenue, and, like the other, is situated near the Common. It was first opened as a parish burial-ground in 1794, and was subsequently purchased by the town in 1824.

The First Burial-Ground. — The earliest mention of this burying-ground in the Town Records is the comparatively late date of 1662, and there are no stones now standing earlier than one double dated 1689-90. The number of epitaphs in 1866, the latest one being dated 1856, was 269, which is four less than were there in 1847. One was erected in 1872, to a person dying in 1792, and one was erected in 1875, to a hero of 1775. Adding these two to the four of 1847, the number is increased to 275. Of early references to interments in the yard may be cited the following from the first volume of the Town Records: The town debtor in 1678, to Gershom Flagg, "for Cutler's grave," 3*s.* 6*d.*; May 5, 1679, the selectmen appointed John Houghton, Senior, "to ring the bell, to dig graves, and to cleanse the meeting-house."

Two collections of the inscriptions have been made, one by Nathan Wyman, in 1847, and another by W. R. Cutter, in 1866. Mr. Wyman's list was published in the "N. E. Hist. Gen. Reg.," II., III., 1848-49, but for want of space all the material sent was not printed, and the literal transcript, which was expected, did not appear. The Cutter transcript is a literal one, with explanatory notes for each epitaph, and is in manuscript. The number of headstones now standing, of date previous to 1700, is 12 to adults, and 12 to young children. The age given of the oldest person of this number is 82; there are 4 of age from 72 to 79; 2 among the 60's; 1 among the 50's; 2 among the 40's; 1 among the 30's; and one only 19 years. The ages of the children are from a few hours, or 1 day, to 5 years, viz., 5 of age less than 7 days; 1 whose age was reckoned by

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weeks; 3 whose ages were reckoned by months; and 3 whose ages were reckoned by years. These stones are of the enduring nature of those of the older persons, all being imported apparently from the old country.

The ground has been subjected by action of the town to some encroachments of its original territory; and, owing to these impairments, some gravestones are known to have been relocated. It may be supposed, however, that these changes have been small, and that they have effected little change in the appearance of the yard. The principal entrance was formerly by a passageway under the rock beside the Central House, and another entrance, in the direction of Park Street, was cut off with bars, being the way much used in former times leading to a spring, or watering-place, near the junction of Park and Centre Streets. The encroachments, the past entrance near the Central House, and the way to the watering-place appear on a plan belonging to the city, by C. Thompson, of date 1855.

The number of interments represented by headstones, during the period from 1700 to 1750, is 128. This number may well be used as an illustration of the corresponding growth of the town itself. Of this number there are in all 49 male persons, of ages from 17 to 94 years; 9 were over 70; 23, from 50 to 70; 12, under 40; while 5 were between 40 and 50 years. Of women there are 47, of ages from 20 to 98 years; 6 were over 70; 12, from 50 to 70; 20, under 40; and 9, from 40 to 50 years. The mortality of women under 40 appears large, nearly half the whole number. Of persons below the age of adults the number is 32, of ages from 2 days to 15 years; under 10 are 24; and 8 were over 10.

In connection with this period is an interesting discovery. The only table monument in the yard is *not* the monument of Elizabeth Cotton, as might appear, but the monument of Nathaniel Saltonstall, Esq., who died in Woburn, June 23, 1739. It is a red sandstone slab, on which are indentations where a coat-of-arms and an inscription on tablets of lead or stone were admitted, but which, like the original base of brick, long ago disappeared. Four granite pillars now support it in a horizontal position, and on its top reclines the slate slab of Elizabeth Cotton (1742), a niece of Saltonstall. The executors' probate account of Saltonstall's estate, filed with his will and inventory, Middlesex County registry, of date June 25, 1739, presents amounts of considerable size on behalf of several persons; such as, Ebenezer Kendall, of Woburn, for digging a grave, and Isaac Snow, of Woburn, for coffin and plates, charges amounting to more than £10. Nathaniel Lamson, a stone-cutter of Charlestown, presents a charge of £26 for a tombstone. Thomas Moulin, an out-of-town party, charges for use of pall and porterage, and for making a brick grave, — bricks and lime and workmen, — a sum amounting to more than £10. The items of tombstone, brick grave, etc., were contracted in the latter part of July, 1739, the whole being completed on the 29th. The Boston *Weekly Newsletter* for June 28, 1739, under the heading of "Boston," has

the following notice: "Last Saturday night, died very suddenly at Woburn, Nathaniel Saltonstall, Esq.; he was younger brother to the late Governor Saltonstall, of Connecticut. A gentleman well respected among us." He removed to Woburn before 1738. (See Woburn *Journal*, Jan. 19, 1883.)

The slate slab of Elizabeth Cotton, now evidently removed from its site, contains an epitaph unusually singular, of such phrases as she "died a virgin," and, "if a virgin marry she hath not sinned," etc. A search at the Middlesex registry fails to discover any papers of administration on her estate.

The headstones from 1750 to 1775, the remaining years of the provincial period, are proportionately numerous. The number erected to persons over 25 years of age is 60, — 30 males and 30 females. Of the males, 2 were over 90, — 1 in his ninety-sixth year; while 8 males and 9 females were over 70. The oldest female was 81; 10 females were under 50, and 11 from 50 to 70. Of persons under 25, the number was 24, including 4 married females; 15 were over 16; 1 was 6, and 8 were under 5 years. The age of the youngest was 4 days. The number was about equally divided as to sex. There is a noticeable decrease in the number of headstones to children at this time, and adulatory inscriptions are more common.

From 1775 to 1793 the stones are mostly those of aged persons; the number to children, from 1775 to 1787, being 6, of ages from 6 weeks to 3 years. The whole number to 1793 is only 36, or at most 38, counting two of recent erection. A new burial-ground was opened in 1794, and a small number, perhaps not over 3, were removed from this to that. The comparatively fewer stones after 1775 show that the Revolution bore hard upon the prosperity acquired by the people under the provincial system of government. The war began at their very doors, and little was left afterwards for luxuries of any kind.

On March 5, 1810, the town granted the request of the heirs of Col. Loammi Baldwin to build a tomb, the yard in which it was to be built being left discretionary with the Standing Committee. This yard was selected, and a granite obelisk over the tomb contains a marble tablet to Hon. Loammi Baldwin, died 1807, æt. 63; "erected by his children." Inscriptions still more recent are those of Wyman Richardson, Esq., 1841, and John Fowle, 2d, 1856; the latter on a marble monument, erected in memory of James Fowle, Esq., and his descendants, on a lot deeded to the town. Asahel Porter, killed at Lexington, April 19, 1775, was commemorated by a marble stone, erected April 21, 1875, by the local Grand Army Post.

In July and August, 1874, a series of articles by the present writer appeared in the Woburn *Journal*, on the subject of this and other Woburn old cemeteries. These were intended to describe their appearance, and gave a general account of the gravestones and the persons interred beneath

them. The subject was still further referred to in the Woburn *Journal*, May 1, 1875; and an article was printed on the subject of the Woburn Cemetery on Salem Street, *ibid.*, Jan. 9, 1875. From these articles and the lists of inscriptions, as well as the gravestones themselves, a good idea may be obtained of the value of these monuments as a record of the past. It had been the writer's intention to present a list of the names of those buried beneath these memorials, but his limits have already been exceeded.

The Second Burial-Ground — This was originally established by the society of the First Parish in Woburn. The subject was agitated early in 1793, and at first Ensign Ichabod Parker, Mr. Daniel Reed, and Capt. Joseph Brown were appointed a committee to see about "a new burying-place." The Standing Committee of the parish at this period appear to have charge of both burying-grounds, from allusions in the records to the old one. On April 14, 1794, the parish voted to purchase of Capt. Joseph Brown the land that had been Zachariah Brooks's, about one acre, for their purpose, for a sum a little less than £40. The three deacons, Samuel Thompson, Obadiah Kendall, and Josiah Richardson, with the Standing Committee, were to fix a fence about the enclosure, make a gate, and arrange the ground for interments. They were also to determine when the new burying-place should be opened, and the old one shut up. Certain members of the Baptist Society in the limits of the parish soon desired a share in the benefits of burial in the "new burying-yard," by paying their "proportionable part"; and on April 13, 1795, the privilege was granted. Later in the same year, the Baptists, not owning any right, were allowed liberty of burial, on the payment of half a dollar a grave. Later still, April 11, 1796, all Baptists were admitted joint proprietors, on payment of their proportional part of the expenses. In 1799, in respect to what the parish will do "respecting the burying-yard," it was decided that the Standing Committee shall "take care" of it, and "conduct that *article*" as they think best for the interest of the parish. After the separation of Burlington, in 1799, the town and the First Parish were practically one in the effect of their action in the matter of the burying-grounds Thus the town in 1806, and following years, chose committees to take care of the meeting-house and burying-grounds. The parish was incorporated as the First Congregational Parish in 1816, and in 1823 the parish granted permission to Dr. Rufus Wyman to erect a tomb, under supervision of the Standing Committee. At the same time, in 1823, the parish took measures to sell their burying-ground to the town, and this was soon accomplished for $162.50.

The earliest dated stones are removals from the older yard, or elsewhere, and many later ones have been removed to the Salem Street Cemetery, opened in 1845. Interments have rarely been made in recent years. Many useful characters, deserving of respectful remembrance, are interred here: Fathers of the Revolution; four victims of the fall of the Clapp house-frame, July 14, 1807; school-masters, doctors, magis-

trates, the wife of a minister, and many others. There are *verbatim* lists of the inscriptions here as they were in 1847, and have been since. They were the joint work of Dr. Benjamin Cutter and Nathan Wyman, continued and recopied by the present writer. The number of headstones is about 350; some containing inscriptions to at least two persons. Dr. Cutter's number of inscriptions was, in 1847, counting by individuals, 365. The one of earliest date was 1789. Of persons over 70 there were 78; 7, over 90 years. The number under 20 was 105. Of unknown age, 2. Of women, there are 121 over 20 years; the number under 40 and over 20, being 47, — a very slight decrease in the mortality of that class over the corresponding period of the previous century. The Richardson family in Dr. Cutter's list presents an interesting instance of longevity. The number of persons of that name represented by inscriptions was 50. Of these 5 were over 90; 2 were 96; over 70 and under 90 were 16 persons; under 20 were 4 only. Of the remaining 25, there were 12 between 40 and 70; and 13 between 20 and 40. Of the last number, 2, one aged 39 and the other 31, were killed outright by accidents connected with the fall or destruction of buildings. In B. Cutter's list are some twenty-four inscriptions that are not in N. Wyman's; and in the latter, to 1847, are some accessions not found in the former; but, otherwise, they correspond fairly well. Mr. Wyman continued his work after Dr. Cutter ended, and thus obtained additions. The whole number, by individuals, to 1870, is 388. Since 1845, the removals have been far greater than the accessions, and some monuments have perished, from the character of their materials, wood having in some instances been used. Since 1848, there is one stone to a person of 24, another to one of 48; others to persons of 71, 81, 88, 83, and 97 years: total, 7.

EPITAPHS,

OLD BURYING-GROUND, PARK STREET, WOBURN CENTRE.

INTRODUCTION.

This collection of inscriptions from the gravestones now standing in Woburn Old Burying-ground was gathered by the undersigned during the fall of the year 1866. The time when this ancient depository of the dead was first opened for interments is not definitely ascertained. Its existence in 1662 is mentioned. (*Vide* Town Records, Vol. I., page 51.)

It was doubtless extant some time prior to that date. The oldest stone standing, *i. e.*, bearing the earliest recorded death, is dated, old style, "1689-90" (epitaph 1). Capt. Edward Johnson, author of the "Wonder-working Providence," and the most influential of the founders of Woburn, is supposed to be interred in this yard. No stone to his memory is found. When, during the present century, the wall and the town pound were built on the western side of the yard, several skeletons were exhumed. The earliest interments are thought to have been in this part.

In 1848-49, a list of deaths as found on the stones in this enclosure was published in the "New England Historical and Genealogical Register" (Vols. II. and III.), from material furnished by Nathan Wyman, Esq., town clerk. For want of space, but not in accordance with that gentleman's first design, a literal transcript of inscriptions was not attempted; and in that production, names, dates, ages, and poetry, almost without exception, were alone presented.

W. R. CUTTER.

Woburn, 1866.

EPITAPHS, FIRST BURIAL-GROUND.

(1.) "Memento mori." "Fugit hora."

"Here lyes the body of Deacon Josias Conuers aged 72 years, deceased the 3 of February 1689-90."

Deacon Josiah Converse, eldest son of Deacon Edward and Sarah Converse, was born in England: came with his father to New England, 1630; and to Woburn, 1641; was deacon of Woburn Church, 1674. He married Esther Champney, March 26, 1651, daughter of Richard Champney, ruling elder of the church in Cambridge.

(2.) "Here lyes the body of Lieutenant James Fowle aged 49 years, died y^e^ 17 of Decemb'r 1690."

Lieut. James Fowle, supposed son of George Fowle, of Concord, was taxed in Woburn, 1666; was a cordwainer by trade, and probably had a shop on land behind the "Bell Hill," now "Powder House Hill." His wife Abigail married, April 18, 1692, Ensign Samuel Walker (epitaph 25). Lieut. Fowle was constable of Woburn in 1672. (*Vide* Sewall's History, pp. 51, 612.)

(3.) "Here lyes y^e^ body of Elizabeth Carter, wife of Cap't. John Carter, aged 78 years died y^e^ 6 of May 1691."

Elizabeth Carter, first wife of Capt. John Carter (epitaph 8).

(4.) "Here lyes y^e^ body of Ann Conuers wife to James Conuers, aged 69 years died August the 10 1691."

Ann (Long) Converse, wife of Ensign James Converse, otherwise Lieut. Converse (epitaph 59), was daughter of Robert Long, of Charlestown, and married Converse, Oct. 24, 1643. (Sewall's History, 176.)

(5.) "Edward Conuers son of Edward & Sara'h Conuers aged 3 dayes died 28 of Octob'r 1691."

Edward Converse, son of Edward (epitaph 7) and Sarah (Stone) Converse.

(6.) "William Batman, son of John & Abigail Batman aged 1 year & 9 m'o died y^e^ 7 of July 1692."

William Bateman, son of John and Abigail (Richardson) Bateman, born Sept. 29, 1690. His father, enlisting from Woburn in Philip's War, came originally from Concord (son of Thomas), and after the war, settled, married (June 30, 1681), and reared a family in Woburn. (*Vide* Sewall's History, 115.)

(7.) "Here lyes y^e^ body of Edward Conuers aged 37 years died y^e^ 26 of July 1692."

Edward Converse, son of Lieut. Converse (epitaph 60) and Ann (Long) Converse (epitaph 4), born Feb. 27, 1654-5; married Sarah Stone, Nov. 5, 1684. (*Vide* Bond's Watertown Genealogies, 521.)

(8.) "MEMENTO MORI." "FUGIT HORA."

"Here lyes y^e^ body of Cap't. John Carter aged about 76 years, deceased y^e^ 14 of September 1692."

Capt. John Carter, an early inhabitant of Woburn, subscribed the "town orders," 1640; styled ensign, 1653, and lieutenant, 1664; was captain in 1675, the time of Philip's War; was selectman 1664, and 1672 to 1679; commissioner "to end small causes," 1664, 1674; and commissioner "of the rate," 1653, 1658, and 1668. Ensign, 1651; lieutenant, 1664; captain, 1672. Ordered that Lieut. John Carter be captain, 1672. (See Colony Records.)

His first wife, Elizabeth, died 1691 (epitaph 3). He married, second, Elizabeth Grove, 1691. (*Vide* notice of his family, Sewall's History, 578, and further of him, *ibid.*, 38, 39, 79, 112.)

(9.) "Iohn Cogin son of Iohn & Elizabeth Cogin died March 16, 1693."

John Coggin, son of Capt. John (epitaph 88) and Elizabeth (Richardson) Coggin, born March 9, 1693.

(10.) "Here lyes y^e^ body of Lieu't Iames Thomson aged 44 years died September y^e^ 4 1693."

Lieut. James Thompson, son of Simon and Mary (Converse) Thompson, and grandson of James Thompson, family ancestor, was born in Woburn, March 20, 1649; married (first) Hannah Walker, Jan. 27, 1673–4; died Feb. 4, 1685–6; and (second) Abigail Gardner, of Charlestown; married, April 13, 1687. His widow married Deacon Edward Johnson. (*Vide* Thompson Genealogy.)

(11.) "Timothy Conver's son of Josias & Ruth Convers aged two m's died September 5. 1693."

Timothy Converse, son of Capt. Josiah (epitaph 65) and Ruth (Marshall) Converse, born July, 1693.

(12.) "Ebenezer Convers, son of James & Hannah Convers aged about 5 years died November 9'th 1693."

Ebenezer Converse, son of Major James (epitaph 34) and Hannah (Carter) Converse, born Dec. 16, 1688.

(13.) "Josias Conuers, son of Josias & Ruth Conuers aged 3 years, died December 30. 1693."

Josiah Converse, son of Capt. Josiah (epitaph 65) and Ruth (Marshall) Converse, born Feb. 8, 1690–91.

(14.) "Henry Cogin son of Iohn & Elizabeth Cogin died March 10, 1694."

Henry Coggin, son of Capt. John (epitaph 88) and Elizabeth (Richardson) Coggin, born March 7 (?), 1694. (March 17, per Town Records.)

(15.) "Elizabeth Conuers Daughter of James & Hannah Conuers aged 19 years died Iuly 27 1694."

Elizabeth Converse, daughter of Major James (epitaph 34) and Hannah (Carter) Converse, born May 23, 1675.

(16.) "Memento Mori." "Fugit hora."

"Here lyes y^e^ body of Lieutenant Matthew Johnson, aged 62 years died Iuly 19, 1696."

Lieut. Matthew Johnson, son of Capt. Edward Johnson, the author of "The Wonder-working Providence of Sion's Saviour in New England," and foremost among the founders of Woburn, was born in England, and came from Charlestown to Woburn to reside, where he was taxed in 1666, and had a share of common lands assigned him in 1668. Was a carpenter by trade. Represented Woburn in the General Court, 1686–89, 1690, 1691, and 1692. Repeatedly one of the selectmen, etc., and much esteemed. He married Hannah Palfrey and Rebecca Wiswell. (*Vide* Sewall's History.)

(17.) "Here lyes y^e^ body of Lieutenant Iohn Richardson aged 58 years died the 1 of January 1696-7."

Lieut. John Richardson, eldest son of Samuel and Joanna, early settlers of Woburn, was born at Charlestown, and baptized there, Nov. 12, 1639. He married Elizabeth Bacon, Oct. 22, 1658; Mary Pierson, Oct. 28, 1673; and Margaret Willing, June 25, 1689; was constable of Woburn, 1675, and selectman, 1690 and 1692. (*Vide* Sewall's History, 112, 579, 634.)

(18.) "Henry son of John & Elizabeth Cogin died August 21, 1697."

Henry Coggin, son of Capt. John (epitaph 88) and Elizabeth (Richardson) Coggin, born Aug. 21, 1697.

(19.) "George Reed son of George & Abigail Reed Juner aged 9 weeks died September 6 1697."

George Reed, son of George Reed, Jr. (epitaph 179), and Abigail (Pierce) Reed (epitaph 72), born Aug. 2, 1697; died *Oct.* 6, 1697. (Per Town Records.)

(20.) "Dorcas daughter of Daniel & Hannah Baldwin was born October 18, 1697 & died March 7, 1698."

Dorcas Baldwin, daughter of Daniel and Hannah (Richardson) Baldwin. (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 593.)

(21.) "MEMENTO MORI." "FUGIT HORA."

"Here lyes y^e^ body of Richard Gardner aged about 79 years died May 29 1698."

Richard Gardner came from county Surrey, Eng ; settled in Woburn, and married Anna Blanchard, of Acton, Oct. 18, 1651. (*Vide* Sewall's History, 614, 615.)

(22.) "Elizabeth Fowl daughter of John & Elizabeth Fowl aged 5 mo. died March 4 1698-9."

Elizabeth Fowle, daughter of Capt. John and Elizabeth (Prescott) Fowle, grand-daughter of Lieut. James Fowle (epitaph 2), born Sept. 19, 1698.

(23.) "MEMENTO MORI." "FUGIT HORA."

"Here lyes y^e^ body of Francis Wyman aged about 82 years, died November 28th 1699.

"The memory of y^e^ just is blessed."

Francis Wyman, an original settler of Woburn, and a tanner, had his dwelling and tanning establishment in Wyman's Lane, etc. (Sewall's History, 655); married Judith Peirce and Abigail Reed (*ibid.*, 653); was selectman, 1674, 1675; and partial to the sentiments of the Baptists (*ibid.*, 156, 579). (See New England Hist. Gen. Reg., Vol. XLIV., p. 156, for place whence he sprung in England.)

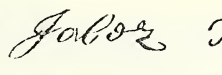
(24.) "MEMENTO MORI." "FUGIT HORA."

"Here lyes y^e^ body of y^e^ Reverend Jabez Fox pastour of y^e^ church of Christ in Woburn 23 yea'rs & aged 56 years decease'd Feb'r y^e^ 28 1702."

Rev. Jabez Fox, abridged from Rev. Timothy Alden's "Collections" (1814), Vol. I., 225: —

Rev. Jabez Fox, probably a native of Cambridge Mass., and a lineal descendant of John Fox, the martyrologist, graduated at Harvard College, 1665; settled, as colleague, with Rev. Thomas Carter, the first minister of Woburn, Sept. 5, 1679; and fell a victim to the small-pox in Boston, Feb. 28, 1702-3, aged 56. The skeleton of a discourse, delivered by him at Cambridge, July 23, 1678, taken from the delivery by Rev. Nathaniel Gookin, then a student in Harvard College, but afterwards pastor of the church in Cambridge, is preserved. Mr. Alden concludes his article with a copy of the above manuscript, which is again presented in Sewall's "History of Woburn," pp. 100, 143. (*Vide* Sibley's Harvard Graduates, Vol. II., pp. 195-200.)

The following signature of Mr. Fox was written while witnessing a deed of sale in the year 1698. His autograph is rare: —



(*Vide* Woburn *Journal*, June 5, 1869.)

Rev. John Fox, son of Rev. Jabez Fox, of Woburn, graduated from Harvard College in 1698; was grammar-school master of his native town for several years; succeeded his father in the ministry at Woburn, Oct. 4, 1703, and continued there until his death, Dec. 12, 1756, aged 77. He was unhappily deprived of his eyesight for about fifteen years before his death, but, however, preached occasionally in this time, and often catechised the youth of his parish, who used to resort to his house for this purpose, and to receive his pious counsels and exhortations.

Rev. Edward Jackson was his colleague for a considerable time, and died. Rev. Josiah Sherman, also, was ordained his colleague about a year before his death.

Mr. Fox married Mary, daughter of Hon. Edward Tyng, of Massachusetts (brother of Col. Jonathan Tyng, died in Woburn, 1724 [epitaph 83]), who, being appointed governor of Annapolis, was taken on his passage to that place, carried to France, and there died. (See Coll. Mass. Hist. Soc., Vol. X.) Mr. Fox was author of two sermons extant on Sam. i. 14, 15, occasioned by the great earthquake of Oct. 29, 1727.

Mrs. Mary Fox survived her husband eight or ten years [died February, 1764], but no stone has been erected to designate the spot of their interment. Issue: —

1. John, in early life went to Ireland to live with a wealthy relative.
2. Jabez (Hon.), spent his days at Falmouth, now Portland, Me.
3. Thomas, a goldsmith, lived in Boston.
4. Edward, lost at sea on his passage to England.
5. Jonathan (Col.), lived and died in Woburn.
6. Mary, married Rev. Habijah Weld, Attleboro'.

Rev. Habijah Weld was third minister of Attleboro', where he was settled in 1726. Mr. Weld was a man of extraordinary virtues, and preached in that place 55 years. He received from his parishioners an annual salary of two hundred and twenty dollars, and the use of a parsonage lot which furnished him with wood, and a little pasture. With a scanty patrimony he purchased a small house and farm; and with these means he educated

fifteen children, and was noted for his hospitality and acts of charity. "Frugal Clergyman." (Hayward's Massachusetts Gazetteer, p. 29.)

7. Judith, second wife of Rev. Nathan Stone, Southboro'. (*Ibid.*, Vol. II., 91.)

Hon. Jabez Fox, second son of Rev. John Fox, died Portland, Me., April 7, 1755, aged fifty. His first wife, a Boston lady, died soon after marriage [Aug. 5, 1746; was buried in Woburn. See epitaph 127.]

His second wife, Ann, widow of Phineas Jones, died June 9, 1758, aged 43. He graduated at Harvard College in 1727, studied divinity and became a preacher of the gospel His health being affected by speaking in public, his slender constitution was unable to endure the onerous duties of the ministry, and thus he was forced to relinquish his intended favorite profession. He fixed his abode in the city where he eventually died, and was for a few years a member of the Executive Council of Massachusetts. (*Ibid*, Vol. I., Art. 118.)

Mary (Fox) Weld, daughter of Rev. John Fox, and wife of Rev. Habijah Weld, of Attleboro', Mass., died Jan. 7, 1799, aged 93. "Passenger, aspire not to her age, but to imitate her life, which was a real ornament to the Christian profession." (Gravestone) Her daughter, Sarah Weld, married Rev. Timothy Alden, of Yarmouth, Mass The latter were parents of Rev. Timothy Alden, of Newark, N. J., author of the valuable "Collections." (*Vide ibid.*, Vol. I., 46.)

Alden cites the following notice of a "learned and remote ancestor of Mr. Fox," from a "very rare work," *D. Pauli Freheri*, Med. Noribergæ, Theatrum virorum eruditorum clarorum, in two vols., fol.: —

"Johannes Foxus, in comitatu Lancastriensi natus est, A. C. 1517. Cum Oxoniæ in collegio Magdalenensi Latinæ, Græ et Heb. linguarum cognitionem eximiam assecutus est, theologiam professus est in academia, regnante Edoardo VI., Sub regina Maria tyrannidem exercente apud Belgas exulavit.

"Anno 1559, regina Maria defuncta, remigravit in Angliam et summus extitit theologus, nullam vero sibi oblatam a regina Elizabetha dignitatem unquam amplecti voluit.

"Obiit tandem Londini 18 Ap. A. C. 1587, æt. 70. In ecclesia S. Ægidii sepultus est. Filium reliquit Samuelem."

John Fox wrote the "Acts and Monuments of the Christian Martyrs," a work well known and greatly venerated by Protestants.

(25.) "Here lyes y^e^ body of Deacon Samuel Walker aged 61 years died January y^e^ 18 1703"

Deacon Samuel Walker, son of Samuel Walker, Sr., born May 7, 1643, styled corporal, sergeant, ensign, deacon, often a selectman; member of Boston Convention, 1689; representative, 1694, etc.; married Sarah Reed, and Abigail, widow of Lieut. James Fowle (epitaph 2); had many distinguished descendants, and is repeatedly mentioned in Woburn annals. (*Vide* Sewall's History, 170, 174, 647, etc.)

(26.) "Henry Cogin son of John & Elizabeth Cogin, born March y^e^ 27 & dyed y^e^ 29 1703."

Henry Coggin, son of Capt. John (epitaph 88) and Elizabeth (Richardson) Coggin.

(27.) "Here lyes y^e^ body of Elizabeth Gardne'r wife to Henery Gardner aged 43 years died Iune y^e^ 3^d^ 1703."

Elizabeth Gardner, first wife of Henry Gardner (epitaph 55).

(28.) "Stephen y^e^ son of Stephen & Bridget Richardson aged 7 years & 3 mo' dyed Sept. 21^st^ 1703."

Stephen Richardson, son of Deacon Stephen (epitaph 157) and Bridget Richardson (epitaph 149), born June 12, 1696.

(29.) "Here lyes y^e^ body of Esther Convers died Nove'mber 7^th^ 1703 in the 16 year of her age."

Esther Converse, daughter of Capt. Josiah (epitaph 65) and Ruth (Marshall) Converse, born Oct. 3, 1688.

(30.) "Here lyes y^e^ body of Willing Richardson, son to John & Margare't Richardson aged 11 years 5 mo'. died March y^e^ 14^th^ 1703-4."

Willing Richardson, son of Lieut. John (epitaph 17) and Margaret (Willing) Richardson, born Oct. 5, 1692.

(31.) "Dority, y^e^ daughter of John & Elizabeth Fowl aged 9 mo'ns died May y^e^ 28^th^ 1704."

Dorothy Fowle, daughter of Capt. John and Elizabeth (Prescott) Fowle, and grand-daughter of Lieut. James Fowle (epitaph 2), born Aug. 9, 1703.

(32.) "Here lyes y^e^ body of Iohn Carter son of Iohn & Ruth Carter who died May y^e^ 21 1705 in y^e^ 20 year of his age."

John Carter, son of Lieut. John (epitaph 95) and Ruth Burnham Carter (epitaph 84), born Aug. 8, 1685.

(33.) "Here lyes y^e^ body of Timothy Walker aged 34 years died June y^e^ 19 1706."

Timothy Walker, son of Deacon Samuel (epitaph 25) and Sarah (Reed) Walker, born June 16, 1672; left at his death a wife and three children. (Sewall's History, 647.)

(34.) "MEMENTO MORI." "FUGIT HORA."

"Here lyes buried y^e^ body of Maior Iames Convers Esq'r aged 61 years who departed this life Iuly y^e^ 8^th^ 1706."

Major James Converse, Esq., son of Lieut. James (epitaph 59) and Ann (Long) Converse (epitaph 4), the distinguished officer in the Indian war, mentioned by Mather, "Magnalia," Book VII., was born in Woburn, Nov. 16, 1645; married Jan. 1, 1668-69, Hannah, daughter of Capt. John (epitaph 8) and Elizabeth Carter (epitaph 3), born Jan. 19, 1650-51; was freeman, 1671; selectman, 1680-88, etc.; town clerk, 1688, and following years; representative, 1695-99, etc., etc. He lived a little east of Winter Pond, in the present town of Winchester, in a house not now in

existence. (Vinton Memorial, 23.) (*Vide* Sewall's History of Woburn, 178–183, 543–545, etc., etc.)

Major (then captain) Converse is most celebrated for his resolute defence of Storer's garrison at Wells, in 1692. The characteristic and minute account of this "memorable action," by Dr. Cotton Mather, occupies pages 613–618 of the "Magnalia Christi Americana" (Hartford Edition, 1853), Vol. II.

(35.) "Here lyes y^e^ body of Esther Johnson wife to William Johnson who departed this life December y^e^ 17^th^ 1706 in y^e^ 48^th^ year of her ag'e."

Esther (Gardner) Johnson, wife of William Johnson, son of Major William Johnson, and nephew of Lieut. Matthew Johnson (epitaph 16). She was daughter of Richard (epitaph 21) and Anna (Blanchard) Gardner, and was born Oct. 15, 1659. (*Vide* Sewall's History, 168, 615.)

(36.) "MEMENTO MORI." "FUGIT HORA."

"Here lyes y^e^ body of Pashence Conver daughter of Maior Iames & Hannah Conve'r who departed this life Iuly y^e^ 23^rd^ 1707 in y^e^ 21^st^ year of her age."

Patience Converse, daughter of Major James (epitaph 34) and Hannah (Carter) Converse, born Nov. 6, 1686.

(37.) "MEMENTO MORI." "FUGIT HORA."

"Here lyes the body of Jonathan Russell, aged 32 years & 10 m'o who departed this life y^e^ 20^th^ of Iune 1708"

Jonathan Russell, son of John, Jr., and Sarah (Champney) Russell, born Aug. 6, 1675. His father, an elder, and his grandfather were prominent among the Baptists. (Sewall's History, 636, etc.)

(38.) "Hannah Fowle dau'ghr of John & Elizabeth Fowle aged 1 month & 3 dayes died Octo'br 3^rd^ 1710."

Hannah Fowle, daughter of Capt. John and Elizabeth (Prescott) Fowle, and grand-daughter of Lieut. James Fowle (epitaph 2), born Aug. 30, 1710.

(39.) "MEMENTO MORI." "FUGIT HORA."

"Here lyes y^e^ body of Sarah Johnson wife to William Johnson Juner who departed this life October y^e^ 14^th^ 1710 in the 29^th^ year of her age."

Sarah (Dole) Johnson, daughter of Richard and Sarah (Greenleaf) Dole, of Newbury, where she was born Feb. 14, 1681; married as first wife of William Johnson, Jr., Jan. 1, 1707–8, son of William and Esther (Gardner) Johnson (epitaph 35).

(40.) "MEMENTO MORI." "FUGIT HORA."

"Here lyes the body of M'r Abraham Fyfeild aged 57 years who deceased Septem'br y^e^ 12^th^ 1711."

Abraham Fifield, styled "Captain" in Town Records, perhaps a son of Giles and Mary (Perkins) Fifield of Charlestown. (*Vide* Savage Genealogical Dictionary.) Gravestone removed from original site when the mound was built.

(41.) "Here lyes y^e^ body of Ruth Fowle daug'tr of Cap't. James and M'rs Mary Fowle aged 11 ye'rs & about 11 m'o died Ma'r'ch ye 3^rd^ 1712."

Ruth Fowle, daughter of Capt. James (epitaph 48) and Mary (Richardson) Fowle, born April 16, 1701.

(42.) "Here Lyes Buried The Body of Anna Cooper Aged 45 Years who departed This Life March the 9^th^ 1712."

Anna Cooper died "aged 48 years" (Town Records), born Dec. 26, 1667 (Town Records, 1668), Cambridge, daughter of Deacon John Cooper of Cambridge. Her mother married James Converse, Sr., of Woburn. (Paige's History of Cambridge, 516.)

(43.) "Here Lyes y^e^ Body of M'r. Samuel Richardson Aged 66 Years. Died April y^e^ 29^th^ 1712."

Samuel Richardson, son of Samuel Richardson the immigrant, and wife, Joanna, was born May 22, 1646, in Woburn. His first wife, Martha, died 1673, and he married (2) Hannah Kingsley, 1674, slain 1676; (3) Phebe Baldwin, married 1676, died 1679; and (4) Sarah Howard (Hayward), married 1680, died, his widow, 1717 (epitaph 66). April 10, 1676, his second wife and two of his children were slain by Indians at Woburn. (*Vide* entire account, Sewall's History, 119, 120; and full notice of him, etc., *ibid.*, 634.)

(44.) "Here lyes y^e^ body of M'r Daniel Payn aged 54 years who desceased August y^e^ 21'st 1712."

"Daniel Payne," Town Records. Perhaps the Daniel "Paine," of Charlestown, who, by his wife "Bethiah," had five children born in Charlestown between the years 1697 and 1704. (Dr. B. Cutter's MS.) (*Vide* Woburn Records.)

(45.) "MEMENTO MORI." "FUGIT HORA."

"Here lyes the body of Abigail Walker daug'tr of Samuel & Judith Walker aged 20 ye'rs 4 m'o died March the first 1712–13."

Abigail Walker, daughter of Deacon Samuel and Judith (Howard) Walker (epitaph 86), and grand-daughter of Deacon Samuel Walker, Sr. (epitaph 25), born Oct. 30, 1692.

(46.) "Here lyes the body of John Burbeen aged about 86 years, who deceased Janu'ry the 8^th^ 1713."

John Burbeen, said to have come from Scotland, was a tailor, and married Sarah Gould, April 16, 1660; was constable in Woburn, 1679, and selectman, 1692. (*Vide* Sewall's History, 50, 51, 579, 595.)

Rev. Joseph Burbeen, a grandson, graduate of Harvard College, 1731, died 1794; was interred in the grave of the above, by request. (Statement of Col. L. Thompson, Woburn, who was present at Rev. J. Burbeen's obsequies.)

(47.) "Here lyes y^e^ body of M'rs Sarah Tyng wife to Col'nl Jonathan Tyng Esq'r deceased February y^e^ 28 1713 in ye 69 year of her age."

Sarah (Usher) Tyng, daughter of Hezekiah Usher, a prominent merchant of Boston, and wife of Col. Jonathan Tyng (epitaph 83).

March 4, 1713–14, went to Woburn to attend the funeral of Aunt Tyng, being his second wife. Died on the Sabbath day morning of fever. Waited upon the governor and lady there; had given me a pair of gloves. She was about 69 years. (Vol. II., page 298, Letter-Book of Samuel Sewall. Samuel Sewall, Jr.'s, Memoranda, Mass. Hist. Coll., 6th Series, Vol. II.)

(48.) "Here lyes y^e^ body of Cap't. James Fowle aged 47 years & 14 dayes who deceased March y^e^ 19th 1713."

Capt. James Fowle, son of Lieut. James Fowle (epitaph 2), was born March 4, 1667, and married Mary Richardson, Oct. 2, 1688 (*vide* epitaph 141); was town clerk from 1701 to his death. (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 613, 614, etc.)

(49.) "Memento mori." "Fugit hora."

"Here Lyes y^e^ Body of Elizabeth Blogget wife to Caleb Blogget Aged about 22 Years. Died May 24th 1713."

Elizabeth Blogget (Blodget), wife of Caleb Blogget, — presumed Caleb, — son of Ensign Samuel and Huldah (Simonds) Blogget, and grandson of Samuel Blogget, who was born in England. Caleb Blogget was born in Woburn, Nov. 11, 1691. (Sewall's History, 594.) Caleb Blogget, styled "Capt." and "Mr.," was a prominent man in Woburn during the first half of the last century. (*Vide ibid.*, 190–2, 256, 257, etc.)

Caleb Blogget, by wife Sarah Wyman, was father of the famous Hon. Samuel Blodget, of Amoskeag, N. H., who was born in Woburn, April 1, 1724. (*Vide* Potter's History of Manchester; Woburn *Journal*.)

(50.) "Memento mori." "Fugit hora."

"Here lyes y^e^ body of Increase Winn aged 28 years and 4 months who deceased y^e^ 1'rst of July 1713."

Increase Winn, son of Increase and Hannah (Sawyer) Winn, and grandson of Edward and Joanna Winn, of Woburn, 1641, was born Feb. 9, 1684–5.

His father, Increase Winn, born Dec. 5, 1641, was the first-born child recorded in Woburn. (*Vide* Sewall's History, 649.)

(51.) "Here lyes the body of Hannah Green, wife to Samuel Green aged 23 years & 3 m'o who died August 14'th 1713."

Hannah Green, perhaps wife of Samuel Green, son of William and Hannah (Kendall) Green, born July 18, 1689, and grandson of William Green, made freeman, 1644. (Sewall's History Woburn, 615, 616.)

(52.) "Here lyes the body of Benjamin Peirce aged 24 years & 3 months who deceased Novem'br 27th 1713."

Benjamin Peirce, son of Sergt. Thomas Peirce and Elizabeth (of Woburn, 1643); married wife Mary, probably the following (Dr. B. Cutter's MS.).

Widow Mary Peirce, died Jan. 17, 1746. Benjamin Peirce and Mary Reed, both of Woburn, married at Charlestown, 8th mo. (?) 10 d., 1688. (N. E. Hist. Gen. Reg. [January, 1875], p. 71. Is age on gravestone incorrect?)

(53.) "Here lyes y^e^ body of Sarah Convers who deceased December y^e^ 10th 1713 in y^e^ 25th year of her age."

Sarah Converse, daughter of Edward (epitaph 7) and Sarah (Stone) Converse, born Sept. 14, 1689.

(54.) "Here lyes the body of Joseph Wood son of Josiah & Abigail Wood aged 17 y'rs & 8 m'o died Dec'mr 30'th 1713."

Joseph Wood, son of Josiah and Abigail Wood, and grandson of Josiah and Lydia (Bacon) Wood, of Charlestown, born in Woburn, April 25, 1696. (*Vide* Savage, Genealogical Dictionary.)

(55.) "Here lyes Buried the Body of M'r Henry Gardner Aged 57 Years, Deceased February The 26'th 1713–14."

Henry Gardner, son of Richard Gardner (epitaph 21), born Feb. 12, 1657–58, married wife Elizabeth, died 1703 (epitaph 27), and (2d) Hannah Prescott, who survived him. (*Vide* Sewall's History, 615.)

(56.) "Here lyes the body of M'r John Wright who deceased April y^e^ 30'th 1714 in the 83'rd year of his age."

John Wright, son of Deacon John and Priscilla Wright, was born before the settlement of Woburn. His wife, Abigail, died 1726 (epitaph 92). He was prosecuted for Baptist sentiments in 1671. (*Vide* Sewall's History, 154, 175.)

(57.) "Mary Sims daughter of M'r William & M'rs Ruth Sims, aged 3 months died August y^e^ 27, 1714."

Mary Symmes, daughter of William (epitaph 198) and Ruth (Converse) Symmes (epitaph 185). (Savage, Genealogical Dictionary.)

(58.) "Jonathan Fowle, son of John & Elizabeth Fowle, aged 2 years, 2 months & 19 days, died Nov'mb'r 21'st 1714."

Jonathan Fowle, son of Capt. John and Elizabeth (Prescott) Fowle, grandson of Lieut. James Fowle (epitaph 2), born Aug. 29, 1712.

(59.) "MEMENTO MORI." "FUGIT HORA."

"Here lyes the body of Lieu't. James Conuers who departed this life May the 10'th 1715 in y^e^ 95'th year of his age."

"The Memory of the Just is Blessed."

Lieut. James Converse, familiarly known as Ensign or Lieutenant, and father of the famous Major James Converse (epitaph 34), was born in England; came to this country with his father, Deacon Edward Converse, in 1630; settled first at Charlestown, and in Woburn in 1641; married Ann Long (epitaph 4); was honored by the town with its principal offices; a valuable, esteemed, and public-spirited citizen. (*Vide* Sewall's History, 175–177, etc.) Last survivor of the signers of the original town orders of 1640, etc.

(60.) "Here Lyes y^e^ Body of Rachel Snow, Wife to Daniel Snow, aged 36 Years, & 8 M'o, Died Decemb'er y^e^ 10th 1715. 'Blessed are ye Ded that Die in ye Lord."

Rachel (Jones) Snow, wife of Daniel Snow (epitaph 64), to whom she was married in Woburn, Aug. 5, 1696.

(61.) "Here lyes the Body of M'rs Martha Johnson Wife to M'r. Josiah Johnson, who Departed This Life the 25 Day of August 1716, in the 30th Year of Her Age.

"Blessed are the Ded That Die in the Lord."

Martha (Whitmore) Johnson, first wife of Josiah Johnson, the son of Major William and Esther (Wiswell) Johnson (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 168, etc.) "Josiah Johnson of Woburn and Martha Whittmore of Medford" married Jan. 24, 1705-6. (Woburn Records.)

(62.) "Here Lyes y^e^ Body of M'r Aaron Cleaveland Who Departed This Life September the 14'th 1716 in y^e^ 62'nd Year of his Age."

Aaron Cleveland, son of Moses and Ann (Winn) Cleveland, natives of England, born in Woburn, Jan. 16, 1654-55; married Dorcas Wilson. Sept. 26, 1675 (*Vide* Sewall's History, 600.) (Ancestor of Grover Cleveland, ex-President of the United States.)

(63.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Ruth Wright, wife to M'r Joseph Wright; Formerly Wife to M'r John Center; Died Feb'ry 18th 1716-17 Aged about 60."

Ruth Wright, wife of Joseph Wright, of Woburn, and formerly wife of John Center, of Boston, whose first wife was named Mary. (*Vide* Savage, Genealogical Dictionary.)

(64.) "Here Lyes the Body of M'r Daniel Snow Aged 43 Years who Deceased July y^e^ 7'th 1717. That thay may Rest from Their labour And Thair Works do Folow Them."

Daniel Snow, born July 9, 1674, son of Samuel and Sarah Snow, and grandson of Richard Snow, the first of the name in Woburn. He married Rachel Jones (epitaph 60). (*Vide* Sewall's History, 642.)

(65.) "Here lyes buried the body of Cap't. Josiah Convers who departed this life July the 15'th 1717 in the 58'th year of his age."

"The Memory of y^e^ Just is Blessed."

Capt. Josiah Converse, son of Deacon Josiah Converse (epitaph 1), was born March 15, 1660. Married Ruth Marshall, Oct. 8, 1685; was familiarly known by the title of Captain, and much employed in town business. (*Vide* Sewall's History, 606, etc., etc.)

(66.) "Here Lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Sarah Richardson Wife to M'r Samuel Richardson Aged 62 Years who Dec'd October y^e^ 14'th 1717."

Sarah (*Hayward*-Howard) Richardson, fourth wife of Samuel Richardson (epitaph 43), married Sept. 8, 1680, then of Malden.

(67.) "Here Lyes the Body of M'r Thomas Lock; who Dec'd Novem'br y^e^ 26'th 1717 in y^e^ 29'th Year of His Age.

Thomas Locke, son of John and Elizabeth (Plympton) Locke (epitaph 73), born April 5, 1688.

(68.) "Rebeckah Daugh'tr of Thomas & Rebeckah Richardson Died February 13'th 1717–18 Aged 1 Year & 7 Wek's."

Rebecca Richardson, daughter of Thomas (epitaph 227) and Rebecca (Wyman) Richardson (epitaph 218) born Dec. 21, 1716.

(69.) "Here Lyes y^e^ Body of M'r Stephen Richardson Aged ab'out 67 Years Dec'd March y^e^ 20'th 1717–18."

Stephen Richardson, son of Samuel Richardson, the emigrant, and wife Joanna, was born Aug. 15, 1649, in Woburn. He married Abigail Wyman, who died his widow in 1720 (epitaph 75). (*Vide* Vinton Memorial, 383; Sewall's Woburn, 634, 635.)

(70.) "Here Lyes the Body of M'r Richard Thomson Aged 30 Years 9 Months & 16 Days Dec'd Jan'ry y^e^ 6'th 1718."

Richard Thompson, son of Lieut. James (epitaph 10) and Abigail (Gardner) Thompson, born March 21, 1688. (*Vide* Thompson Genealogy.)

(71.) "Here Lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Abigail Stone wife to Deacon Samuel Stone who Deceas'd May y^e^ 11'th 1718 in y^e^ 71'st Year of Her Age."

Abigail Stone, second wife of Deacon Samuel Stone, of Cambridge, who died Sept. 27, 1715. (*Vide* Bond's Watertown Genealogies, p. 521.)

(72.) "Here Lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Abigail Reed Wife to M'r George Reed Aged 58 Years 9 Month's & 17 Dayes Dec'd September 7'th 1719."

Abigail (Peirce) Reed, first wife of Deacon George Reed (epitaph 179), married Feb. 18, 1684–85; was the daughter of Sergt. Thomas and Elizabeth Peirce, of Woburn, and born Nov. 20, 1660. (*Vide* Sewall's History, 629, 631.)

(73.) "Here Lyes y^e^ Body of Elizabeth Lock wife to John Lock Aged 60 years died february y^e^ 23'd 1719–20."

Elizabeth (Plympton) Locke, first wife of John Locke, son of Deacon William Locke, Sr., married May 31, 1683. Her father, Thomas Plympton, emigrated from England, and was killed by Indians at Sudbury, in 1676. She was born Dec. 23, 1658. (*Vide* Book of Lockes, 17; Sewall's Woburn, 626.)

(74.) "Here Lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Abigail Vinton wife to Lieu't. John Vinton Aged 36 Years 5 M'o. & 6 Da's Dec'd May 20'th 1720."

Abigail (Richardson) Vinton, first wife of Lieut. John Vinton, married March 9, 1702–3, was daughter of Stephen (epitaph 69) and Abigail (Wyman) Richardson (epitaph 75), and was born Nov. 14, 1683. (*Vide* Vinton Memorial, pp. 22, 383.)

(75.) "Here Lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Abigail Richardson Wife to M'r Stephen Richardson Aged 60 Years, Who Dec'd September 17'th 1720."

Abigail (Wyman) Richardson, wife of Stephen Richardson (epitaph 69), married Jan. 2, 1674-75, in Billerica, was daughter of Francis (epitaph 23) and Abigail (Reed) Wyman. (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 653.)

(76.) "Here Lyes y^e^ Body of John Wyman Son of M'r Jacob & Mr's Elizabeth Wyman Dec'd July the 9'th 1721 in y^e^ 21'st Year of His Age."

John Wyman, son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Richardson) Wyman, born Dec 11, 1700, graduated at Harvard College, 1721, same year he died. (*Vide* Sewall's History, 653.)

(77.) "Here Lyes y^e^ Body of Mary Waters wife to Samuel Waters Dec'd Dec'mbr 10'th 1721 in y^e^ 68^th^ Year of Her Age."

Mary Waters, wife of "Sergt." Samuel Waters, an inhabitant of Woburn in 1675, to whom and wife, Mary, were born twelve children between 1675 and 1696. (*Vide* Sewall's History, 82, 648.)

(78.) "Here Lyes Buried the Body of Cap't James Richardson Aged 46 Years & 23 D's Dec'd March 24, 1721-2."

Capt. James Richardson, son of Nathaniel Richardson, and grandson of Thomas Richardson the emigrant, was born Feb. 26, 1675-76; married Rebecca Eaton and Elizabeth Arnold, and was employed against the Indians in Maine. (*Vide* Vinton Memorial, 393; Sewall's History, 635.)

(79.) "Mathew Richardson Son of M'r Thomas & Rebeckah Richardson, Aged 1 Year 10 M'o & 1 Day Dec'd Feb'ry 11'th 1722-3."

Matthew Richardson, son of Thomas (epitaph 227) and Rebecca (Wyman) Richardson (epitaph 218), born April 9, 1721.

(80.) "Isaiah Richardson son of M'r Thomas & M'rs Rebeckah Richardson Aged 4 Years 4 M'o & 2 D's Dec'd Feb'ry 16'th 1722-3."

Isaiah Richardson, son of Thomas (epitaph 227) and Rebecca (Wyman) Richardson (epitaph 218), born Oct. 13, 1718.

(81.) "Here Lyes the Body of Doct'r Isaac Hill who Dec'd Janua'ry the 9^th^ 1723 Aged 29 years."

"Blessed Are y^e^ Dead that Die in y^e^ Lord."

Dr. Isaac Hill, perhaps born Dec. 1, 1693, son of Isaac, and a descendant of Abraham Hill, of Malden; freeman, 1640. (*Vide* Savage, Genealogical Dictionary.)

(82.) "Here Lyes y^e^ Body of M's Rose Bruce Wife to M'r John Bruce, who Dec'd Sept'br y^e^ 21'st 1723 Aged about 53 years."

Rose (Wattle) Bruce, wife of John Bruce, married Jan. 31, 1693. Bruce, born June 18, 1670, was son of George Brush (Bruce), of Woburn, said to have been a Scotchman. (*Vide* Sewall's History, 595.)

(83.) "Here lyes Buried the Body of Jonathan Tyng Esq'r who Dec'd Jan'r y^e^ 19'th 1723-4 in y^e^ 81'st year of His Age."

Jonathan Tyng, Esquire, — colonel, — was born Dec. 15, 1642, son of Col. Edward Tyng, of Boston (died in Dunstable, 1681). He married Sarah, daughter of Hezekiah Usher; died 1713 (epitaph 47). Judith, his widow, died 1736 (epitaph 104). His father's family was one of the most prominent families in Massachusetts. He was colonel of the Second Regiment of foot and a justice of the court, was one of Sir Edmund Andros's Council, 1687, a magistrate, and a man of influence. Col. Tyng is mentioned in Sewall's "History of Woburn," pp 83, 142, 227. Arms. Argent, on a bend cotised sable, three martlets, gold. (*Vide* "Gore Roll of Arms," Whitmore's Elements of Heraldry, 92.)

Letter-Book of Samuel Sewall, — Samuel Sewall, Jr.'s, Memoranda, Mass. H. C., 6th Series, Vol. II., page 304: —

"January 19, 1723-24, Col. Jonathan Tyng dies. (See News letter, N. 1043.) Interred the 24th, at Woburn. I went with two Brother Dudleys; a large funeral. Gave me and wife gloves."

(84.) "Here Lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Ruth Carter wife to Lieu't. John Carter, who Dec'd Jan'ry 10'th 1724 in y^e^ 55'th Year of Her Age."

Ruth (Burnham) Carter, wife of Lieut. John Carter (epitaph 95), married June 20, 1678.

(85.) "Here Lyes the Body of M'rs Elizabeth Winn Wife to M'r Timothy Winn who Dec'd May y^e^ 14'th 1724, Aged about 34 Years."

Elizabeth (Brooks) Winn, first wife of Timothy Winn (epitaph 156).

(86.) "Here Lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Judith Walker Wife to Dea'con Samuel Walker, Who Dec'd Nov'br 14'th 1724, in y^e^ 57'th Year of Her Age."

Judith (Howard) Walker, wife of Deacon Samuel Walker, 2d, son of Deacon Samuel Walker, 1st (epitaph 25), married June 1, 1689. Her husband, chosen a deacon of Woburn First Church, 1709, and one of the first two deacons of the Precinct (Burlington) Church, 1735, died Sept. 28, 1744, aged 77, being interred in Burlington burying-ground, where his gravestone is standing. His second wife was Mary (Richardson) Fowle (epitaph 141). (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 172, etc.) Deacon Samuel Walker, 2d, first located near the meeting-house in Wilmington; afterward in Burlington. (J. B. Walker, Bouton's Concord, N. H., 691.)

(87.) "Phebe Wright Daugh'tr of M'r Josiah & M'rs Ruth Wright Dec'd Decem'br y^e^ 7'th 1724, in Her 3'd Year."

Phebe Wright, daughter of Deacon Josiah (epitaph 130) and Ruth (Carter) Wright, born July 13, 1721.

(88.) "Here Lyes Buried y^e^ Body of Cap't John Cogin Who Dec'd Feb'ry y^e^ 17'th 1725 in y^e^ 59'th Year of His Age."

Capt. John Coggin, married Elizabeth, daughter of Joseph and Hannah (Green) Richardson, April 12, 1692. (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 634.) "Lieut.," 1713; selectman, 1719. (*Ibid.*, 227, 580.)

(89.) "Here lyes Buried the Body of M'r Samuel Wyman Who Dec'd May y^e^ 17'th 1725 Aged about 58 Years."

Samuel Wyman, born Nov. 29, 1667, son of Francis (epitaph 23) and Abigail (Reed) Wyman, married Rebecca Johnson, 1692, daughter of Lieut. Matthew (epitaph 16) and Rebecca (Wiswell) Johnson. (*Vide* Sewall's History, 653, 654, etc.)

(90.) "Here lyes the Body of Priscilla Hartwell Dau'tr of M'r Joseph & M'rs Ruhamah Hartwell Dec'd August y^e^ 28 1725 Aged 15 Years 3 M'o & 2 Da's."

Priscilla Hartwell, daughter of Deacon Joseph (epitaph 121) and Ruhamah (Cutter) Hartwell (epitaph 182), born May 26, 1710.

(91.) "Here Lyes y^e^ Body of M's Susanna Richardson, Wife to M'r Joseph Richardson, Who Dec'd March y^e^ 6'th 1726 Aged about 29 Years."

Susanna Richardson, wife of Joseph Richardson; probably Joseph, born June 25, 1674, son of Isaac Richardson, and grandson of Thomas Richardson the emigrant. (*Vide* Vinton Memorial, 392; Sewall's History, 635.)

(92.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of M'r's Abigail Wright Wife to M'r John Wright who Dec'd April y^e^ 6th 1726 in y^e^ 84^th^ Year of Her Age."

Abigail Wright, wife of John Wright (epitaph 56).

(93.) "Here Lyes what was Mortal of Co'll Eleazer Flegg, Esq'r. Who Dec'd July 12'th 1726 in y^e^ 56 Year of His Age."

"A Faithfull Christian & a Pious Liver
to any in Destress a Cherful Giver
The widdows Solace in a Doubtfuli Case
Yea and a Father to the Fatherless.
A Tender Husband, & a Parent Kind
a Faithfull Friend which who O who can fin'd.
All this was He & more but Now at Rest
The Memory of the Righteous man is Blest."

Col. Eleazer Flagg, Esq., son of Lieut. Gershom and Hannah (Leppenwell) Flagg, born Aug. 1, 1670, — colonel and magistrate, — married Esther Green, Jan. 17, 1694–95. His widow, "Madam Esther," died 1744 (epitaph 123). Col. Flagg (or Flegg, as he preferred to write his name) gave a silver cup to the "Church in Woburn," 1726. (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 612, etc.)

(94.) "Here Lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Susanna Richardson Wife to M'r Samuel Richardson Who Dec'd August the 6'th 1726 Aged 42 Years."

Susanna (Richardson) Richardson, wife of Samuel Richardson (epitaph 170), and daughter of John and Susanna (Fisk) Richardson, Woburn, was born Aug. 5, 1684. Her father and husband were cousins. Both were descended from Samuel Richardson the emigrant. (*Vide* Vinton Memorial, 385, etc.)

(95.) "Here lyes Buried y^e^ Body of Lieu't. John Carter Who Dec'd April y^e^ 8'th Anno Dom'i 1727 Aged 75 Years."

Lieut. John Carter, son of Capt. John Carter (epitaph 8) and Elizabeth, first wife (epitaph 3), was born Feb. 6, 1652–53, married Ruth Burnham (epitaph 84). (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 598, etc.)

(96.) "Jonathan Blanchard Son of Jacob & Abigail Blanchard Dec'd Sept'br 14'th 1727 in y^e^ 7^th^ Year of His Age."

Jonathan Blanchard, son of Jacob and Abigail.

(97.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of Esther Richardson Wife of Nathan Richardson Dec'd Nov'br 10, 1727 in y^e^ 27 Year of Her Age."

Esther Richardson, first wife of Deacon Nathan Richardson (epitaph 256).

(98.) "Margery Carter Daug'tr of Samuel & Margery Carter Died Sept. 23'd 1728 Aged 3 Years 8 Mo. & 6 D's."

Margery Carter, daughter of Capt. Samuel and Margery (Dickson) Carter (epitaph 217), born Jan. 19, 1724–25.

(99.) "William Carter son of Samuel & Margery Carter Died October 6^th^ 1728 Aged 1 Year 11 M'o & 11 D's."

William Carter, son of Capt. Samuel and Margery (Dickson) Carter (epitaph 217), born Oct. 25, 1726.

(100.) "Benjamin Converse Son of Cap't Robert and M'rs Mary Converse Dec'd Aug't 19'th 1729 in y^e^ Eleventh Year of his Age."

Benjamin Converse, son of Capt. Robert and Mary (Sawyer) Converse (*vide* Sewall's History, 696), and grandson of Major James Converse (epitaph 34), born Sept. 22, 1718.

(101.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of John Hartwell son of M'r Joseph & M'rs Ruhamah Hartwell Who Died May 1'st 1734 Aged 19 Years 6 Months & 27 Days."

John Hartwell, son of Deacon Joseph (epitaph 121) and Ruhamah (Cutter) Hartwell (epitaph 182), born Oct. 3, 1714.

(102.) "Ruth Bellknap Daug'tr of Samuel & Lydia Bellknap; Died June 27'th 1734 Aged 2 Years, 7 Months & 16 D's."

Ruth Belknap, daughter of Samuel and Lydia (Stearns) Belknap, born Nov. 11, 1731. (See Winchester Record, Vol. II., p. 274.)

(103.) "Here lyes Buried y^e^ Body of M'r James Wright Who Departed this Life January y^e^ 6'th Anno Dom'ni 1734–5 in y^e^ 59'th Year of His Age."

James Wright, born March 10, 1677, son of Deacon Joseph and Elizabeth (Hassell) Wright (*vide* Sewall's History, 175, 651), married wife Elizabeth, by whom he had issue in Woburn. (*Vide* Town Records.)

(104.) "Here Lyes Buried y^e^ Body of Mr's Judith Tyng wife to Co'll Jonathan Tyng Formerly Wife to y^e^ Rev'rd M'r Jabez Fox Who Dyed June 5'th Anno Dom'i 1736 in y^e^ 99'th Year of her Age."

"A Woman of Most Exempl'ry Vertue & Piety Rich in Grace Ripe for Glory."

Judith (Reyner-Fox) Tyng, widow of Col Jonathan Tyng (epitaph 83), and formerly wife of Rev. Jabez Fox (epitaph 24), daughter of the elder Rev. John Reyner, minister of Plymouth, Mass., and Dover, N. H. Her epitaph is exhibited in Alden's Coll., Vol. I. 229. (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 142.)

(105.) "Jonathan Poole Son of Jonathan Poole Esq'r & M'rs Esther his Wife Died July 23'd 1736, Aged 7 Years, 11 Months & 16 Days."

Jonathan Poole, born Aug. 8, 1728, son of Jonathan Poole, Esq. (epitaph 174), and Esther (Flagg) Poole.

(106.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of Ruth Wood Daug'tr of M'r Josiah & M'rs Abigail Wood Who Died August y^e^ 2'nd 1736 in y^e^ 37'th Year of Her Age."

Ruth Wood, born Jan. 4, 1700, daughter of Josiah and Abigail Wood. (*Vide* note, epitaph 54.)

(107.) "Here Lyes Buried y^e^ Body of Lieu't. Thomas Reed: Who Departed this life Aug'st 18^th^ 1736 Aged 54 Years, 1 Month & 3 Days."

Lieut. Thomas Reed, born July 15, 1682, son of George and Hannah (Rockwell) Reed, and grandson of William and Mabel (Kendall) Reed, early settlers in Woburn; married Sarah Sawyer, Feb. 1, 1704 (epitaph 111). (*Vide* History Reed Family, 90, 91; Sewall's Woburn, 631, etc.)

(108.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of Bridget Richardson Dau'tr of Cap't Stephe'n & M'rs Bridget Richardson Who Died Sep't 27'th 1736 Aged 14 Years."

Bridget Richardson, daughter of Capt. Stephen (epitaph 157) and Bridget (epitaph 149) Richardson, born in 1722 (?). (*Vide* Vinton Memorial, 385.)

(109.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of Abigail Reed; Daug'tr of Lieu't Thomas & M'rs Sarah Reed Who Died Decem'br 7'th 1736 Aged 15 Years 6 Months & 14 Days."

Abigail Reed, daughter of Lieut. Thomas (epitaph 107) and Sarah (Sawyer) Reed (epitaph 111), born May 21, 1721.

(110.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Esther Snow Wife to M'r Isaac Snow Who Died March 30'th Anno Dom'ni 1737 in y^e^ 33'd Year of her Age."

Esther (Converse) Snow, first wife of Isaac Snow (epitaph 242), married July 8, 1732; daughter of Capt. Robert and Mary (Sawyer) Converse (*vide* note, epitaph 100), born Oct. 1, 1704.

(111.) "Here lyes Buried y^e^ Body of M'rs Sarah Reed wife to Lieu't Thomas Reed Who Departed this life June 21'st 1737 Aged 49 Years & 11 Months & 17 D's."

Sarah (Sawyer) Reed, wife of Lieut. Thomas Reed (epitaph 107), daughter of Joshua and Sarah (Sawyer) Reed, born July 4, 1687.

(112.) "Here lyes Buried y^e^ Body of M'r Joshua Sawyer Who Died March 1'st Anno Dom'i 1737–8 Aged 54 Years."

Joshua Sawyer, born June 20, 1684, son of Joshua and Sarah (Wright) Sawyer of Woburn; selectman 1704, 1711–12; married Mary Carter (epitaph 155). (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 580.) Mary Sawyer, widow of Joshua; Joshua, eldest son; Mary Richardson, a daughter (wife of Stephen Richardson); John, a son; Ruth Wright, a daughter; Sarah, Abigail; Samuel Tidd, a son-in-law, — all named in a record of 1738.

(113.) "Esther Snow Dau't'r of M'r Isaac & M'rs Esther Snow Died April 11'th 1739 in her 5th Year."

Esther Snow, daughter of Isaac (epitaph 242) and Esther (Converse) Snow (epitaph 110), born May 19, 1733.

(114.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Tabitha Richardson Wife to M'r Nathan Richardson Who Died Nov'br 25'th 1739 in y^e^ 33'd Year of her Age."

Tabitha (Kendall) Richardson, second wife of Deacon Nathan Richardson (epitaph 236), married July 3, 1729; daughter of Samuel and Mary (Locke) Kendall, Woburn; born Jan. 22, 1706–7. (*Vide* Vinton Memorial, 379, 380; Book of Lockes, 20, 29.)

(115.) "Here lyes Buried y^e^ Body of M'r Ebenezer Tompson of Charlestown) Who Died April 19'th Anno Dom'i 1741 in y^e^ 58'th Year of His Age."

Ebenezer Thompson, son of Lieut. James (epitaph 10) and Hannah (Walker) Thompson, born July 26, 1683, married Mary Winn, of Wilmington (epitaph 175); was a tailor "of Charlestown"; moved to Medford. (*Vide* Thompson Genealogy.)

(116.) "Lucy Richardson Dau'tr of M'r Joshua & M'rs Eunice Richardson Died Decem'br 2'd 1741 Aged 1 Year 4 Months & 10 Days."

Lucy Richardson, daughter of Joshua and Eunice (Jennison) Richardson (epitaph 136), born July 21, 1740.

(117.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Elizabeth Kendall Wife to Lieu't Samuel Kendall Who Died Jan'ry 10'th 1741–2 in y^e^ 54'th Year of Her Age."

Elizabeth Kendall, first wife of Lieut. Samuel Kendall (epitaph 200).

(118.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of Mary Richardson Wife to Thomas Richardson Jun'r Daugh'tr of M'r John & M'rs Joanna Russell Who Died Jan'ry 11'th 1741–2 Aged 29 Years, 3 Months & 7 Day's."

Mary (Russell) Richardson, first wife of Thomas Richardson (epitaph 225), married May 6, 1735; daughter of John and Joanna (Winn) Russell, born Oct. 3, 1712. (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 637.)

(119.) "Here lyes Buried y^e^ Body of M'rs Hannah Brooks Wife to M'r John Brooks Who Died April 14'th 1742, Aged 26 Years, & 10 Months."

Hannah (Cutter) Brooks, wife of John Brooks, son of Jabez (epitaph 128) and Hephzibah (Cutter) Brooks (epitaph 121), daughter of Deacon John and Lydia (Harrington) Cutter, of Cambridge, born June 14, 1715. (*Vide* History Cutter Family of New England, 45.)

(120.) "Here lyes the Remains of M'rs Elizabeth Cotton, Daughter of the Rev'd Roland Cotton late of *Sandwich* Dec'd; Who Died a VIRGIN October 12'th 1742, *Ætatis* 46.

"If a Virgin Marry She hath not Sinned Nevertheless Such shall have trouble in the Flesh But He that giveth her not in Marriage doth better, She is happier if She so Abide."

Elizabeth Cotton, daughter of Rev. Roland Cotton, Sandwich, and Elizabeth (Saltonstall-Dennison) Cotton, sister of Rev. Josiah Cotton, pastor of the Third Church in Woburn from 1747 to 1756, and afterwards minister at Sandown, N. H.; also sister of Col. Roland Cotton, a once prominent citizen of Woburn, died at the house of the latter in Woburn, unmarried, as her singular epitaph pointedly intimates. She was of "good repute" as "vertuous, usefull & obliging in her Day," etc. Her slab lies upon the only table monument in the yard. Her epitaph is recorded in Alden's "Collections," Vol. I., No. 235, p. 225. (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, pp. 339, 340; also Bond's Watertown Genealogies, 922, 923.) (See Introduction, p. 4*.) The table monument is the Saltonstall tomb and stone.

(121.) "Here lyes Buried y^e^ Body of Deacon Joseph Hartwell Who departed this Life Nov'br 15'th Anno Dom'i 1743 in y^e^ 63'rd Year of His Age."

Deacon Joseph Hartwell, son of John and Priscilla (Wright) Hartwell, of Concord, born Jan. 24, 1680-81, married Ruhamah Cutter (epitaph 182). He lived at the head of Mystic Pond (then in Charlestown), now in Arlington. From 1732 to 1743, he paid church rates in Woburn; was chosen deacon of Woburn Church, 1736. A large cedar-tree has taken root in his grave. (*Vide* History Cutter Family of New England, 37.)

(122.) "Here lyes Buried y^e^ Body of Ensign Samuel Wyman Who departed this Life December y^e^ 18'th Anno Dom'ni 1743 in y^e^ 55'th Year of His Age."

Ensign Samuel Wyman, born Feb. 7, 1689-90, son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Richardson) Wyman (Sewall's History, 653); married Susanna Simonds (epitaph 161); no marriage record; supposed to be no other than the daughter of James and Susanna (Blogget) Simonds, born May 2, 1689. (Letter of Thos. B. Wyman, Esq., Charlestown, Mass., Oct. 18, 1873.)

(123.) "Here lyes the Remains of M'rs Esther Flegg widow of Coll'o Eleazer Flegg who departed this life Sept'br y^e^ 18'th 1744, Aged 70 Years."

"The memory of the Just is Blessed."

Esther (Green) Flagg, or Flegg, widow of Col. Eleazer Flegg (epitaph 93), was born September, 1674; daughter of Lieut. Henry and Esther (Hasse) Green, and grand daughter of Thomas Green, of Malden, family ancestor. (*Vide* Vinton Memorial, 398.)

(124.) "Here lyes Buried y^e^ Body of M'rs Hephzibah Brooks Wife to M'r. Jabez Brooks Who departed this Life Jan'ry 1'st A. D. 1745 in y^e^ 75'th Year of her Age."

Hephzibah (Cutter) Brooks, second wife of Jabez Brooks (epitaph 128), married June 7, 1698; daughter of Richard and Frances (Perriman-Amsden) Cutter, of Cambridge; born Aug. 15, 1671. (*Vide* History Cutter Family of New England, 36.)

(125.) "Ruel Baldwin Son of M'r James & M'rs Ruth Baldwin Died February 21'st 1745-6 Aged 3 Years, 9 M'o & 13 D's."

Ruel Baldwin, son of James and Ruth (Richardson) Baldwin, born in Woburn, May 9, 1742; brother of Col. Loammi Baldwin (epitaph 267). (*Vide* Vinton Memorial, 379; Sewall's Woburn, 593.)

(126.) "Here lyes Buried y^e^ Body of M'r Ebenezer Flagg Who Departed this life July 10'th 1746 in y^e^ 68'th Year of His Age."

Ebenezer Flagg, son of Lieut. Gershom and Hannah (Leppenwell) Flagg, born Dec. 21, 1678; married Elizabeth Carter, Dec. 25, 1700. His father came to Woburn from Watertown. His son, Ebenezer, born 1701; graduated Harvard College, 1725; became minister at Chester, N. H., 1736; and died 1796. (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 612; Bond's Watertown Genealogies, 763, etc.)

(127.) "Here Lyes Buried y^e^ Body of M'rs Ann Fox Wife to M'r Jabez Fox of Falmouth) Who Departed this Life Aug'st 5 th Anno Dom'i 1746 Aged 43 Years."

Ann (Bradbury) Fox, daughter of Wymond and Maria (Cotton) Bradbury, of York, Me., wife of Hon. Jabez Fox; married 1743; no issue. He died in Falmouth (Portland, Me.), April 7, 1755, aged 50. (*Vide* note, epitaph 24, and Willis's, Smith's, and Deane's (Portland) Journals, 159, etc.)

(128.) "Here lyes Buried y^e^ Body of M'r Jabez Brooks Who departed this Life January y^e^ 30'th Anno Dom'i 1746-7 in y^e^ 74'th Year of His Age."

Jabez Brooks, born July 17, 1673, son of John and Eunice (Mousall) Brooks, Woburn; grandson of Henry Brooks, who came to Woburn from Concord; married, first, Rachel Buck, Dec. 18, 1694; second, Hepzibah Cutter (epitaph 124). (*Vide* History Cutter Family of New England, 36.)

Epitaphs 128 and 124 are side by side on a "double" stone.

(129.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of Ruth Tay Dau'tr of M'r William and M'rs Abigail Tay Who Died Jan'ry 15 1747 Aged 10 Years, 4 Months & 25 Days."

Ruth Tay, daughter of Lieut. William and Abigail (Jones) Tay (epitaph 248), born Aug 20, 1736.

(130.) "Here lyes Buried y^e^ Body of Deacon Josiah Wright Who Departed this life Jan'ry 22'nd Anno Dom'i 1747 in y^e^ 73'rd Year of His Age."

Deacon Josiah Wright, deacon of First Church, Woburn, 1736–1747, married Ruth Carter, Sept. 17, 1700; daughter of Lieut. John (epitaph 95) and Ruth (Burnham) Carter (epitaph 84); born Oct. 18, 1681. She died Jan. 31, 1774, aged "92 years, or more." (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 589, 598.)

(131.) "Here lyes Buried y^e^ Body of M'rs Sarah Brooks Wife to M'r Nathan Brooks Who Departed this life Feb'ry 21'st 1747 Aged 40 Years 6 M'o & 3 D's."

Sarah (Wyman) Brooks, wife of Nathan Brooks (epitaph 151), daughter of Cornet Jonathan and Hannah (Fowle) Wyman, born Aug. 18, 1706. (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 652.)

(132.) "Here Lyes Buried y^e^ Body of M'r Timothy Snow Who Departed this Life March 11'th 1747 in y^e^ 74'th Year of His Age."

Timothy Snow, born Feb. 16, 1674–75; son of John Snow; grandson (?) of Richard Snow, the earliest of the name in Woburn, married Lydia Peirce (epitaph 197). (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 641.)

(133.) "Mary Tay Dau'tr of M'r William & M'rs Abigail Tay, Died May 5'th 1747 Aged 1 Year & 10 Mont's."

Mary Tay, daughter of Lieut. William and Abigail (Jones) Tay (epitaph 248); born .

(134.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of Abigail Richardson Dau'tr of M'r Jonathan & M'rs Abigail Richardson Who Died Octo'br 2'd 1747 Aged 25 Years 11 Months & 3 Days."

Abigail Richardson, daughter of Jonathan (epitaph 186) and Abigail (Wyman) Richardson, born Oct. 29, 1721.

(135.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of Eliz'th Reed Daug'tr of Mr. Israel & M'rs Hannah Reed; Who Died Decem'br 9'th 1747 Aged 10 Years Wanting 9 Days."

Elizabeth Reed, daughter of Israel and Hannah (Wyman) Reed, born Dec. 18, 1737. (*Vide* History Reed Family, 67.)

(136.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Eunice Richardson Wife to M'r Joshua Richardson Who Died April y^e^ 13'th 1748 Aged 26 Years."

"Also Israel Richardson their son Died April 20, 1748 Aged 20 Days."

Eunice (Jennison) Richardson, first wife of Joshua Richardson, son of Joshua (epitaph 142), married July 11, 1739; daughter of Samuel and Mary (Stearns) Jennison, of Watertown, born February, 1721–22. (*Vide* Bond's Watertown Genealogies, 308, 800.) Israel Richardson, her son, was born March 29, 1748.

(137.) "Here Lyes Buried y^e^ Body of M'r Samuel Tompson who Departed this life May 13'th 1748 in y^e^ 43'd Year of His Age."

Samuel Thompson, born Sept. 8, 1705, son of Jonathan and Frances (Whitmore) Thompson, great-grandson of James Thompson, family ancestor; married Ruth Wright, Dec. 31, 1730. (*Vide* Thompson Genealogy; Sewall's Woburn, 644.)

"My father Sam'l Thompson died in May, 1748, aged 42 years." (Sam'l Thompson, Esq.'s, Memorandum Books.)

(138.) "Here Lyes Interred the Body of M'r Thomas Salter of Boston Merch't, Ob. 2'nd Aug'st 1748 Æ't 62."

(139.) "Here lyes Buried y^e^ Body of Susanna Cotton Dau'tr of y^e^ Rev'd M'r Josiah & M'rs Susanna Cotton, Ob't 3'd Aug'st 1748 Æ't 10."

Susanna Cotton, daughter of Rev. Josiah and Susanna Cotton. Her father was pastor of the Third Church in Woburn from 1747 to 1756. (*Vide* Sewall's History, 338, etc.)

(140.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Hannah Richardson Wife to M'r Jacob Richardson Who Died Sep't y^e^ 7'th A. D. 1748 in y^e^ 69'th Year of Her Age."

Hannah (Converse) Richardson, wife of Jacob Richardson, son of Lieut. John Richardson (epitaph 17); daughter of Major James (epitaph 34) and Hannah (Carter) Converse, born June 12, 1680; married Richardson, Nov. 9, 1697.

(141.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Mary Walker Relict of Deacon Samuel Walker & formerly Wife to Cap't James Fowle Who departed this Life Oct'br 23'rd 1748 in y^e^ 80'th Year of Her Age."

Mary (Richardson-Fowle) Walker, widow of Deacon Samuel Walker, 2d (*vide* note, epitaph 86), formerly wife of Capt. James Fowle (epitaph 48), was born March 22, 1669; daughter of Joseph and Hannah (Green) Richardson of Woburn. She died at Charlestown. (*Vide* Sewall's History of Woburn, 173, 634.)

(142.) "Here lyes Buried the Body of M'r Joshua Richardson Who Departed this Life Nov'br 5'th Anno Dom'ni 1748 in y^e^ 68'th Year of His Age."

Joshua Richardson, born June 3, 1681, son of Nathaniel and Mary Richardson, grandson of Thomas Richardson of Woburn, emigrant, married wife Hannah. (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 635.)

(143.) "Here lyes Buried y^e^ Body of M'r Daniel Richardson who Departed this Life April 20'th A. D. 1749 Aged 57 Years 6 Months & 4 Day's."

Daniel Richardson, born Oct. 16, 1691, son of Stephen (epitaph 69) and Abigail (Wyman) Richardson (epitaph 75); married wife Joanna. (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 635.)

(144.) "Here Lyes Buried y^e^ Body of Doct'or Jonathan Haywood who Departed this Life Aug'st 13'th A. D. 1749 Aged 45 Years"

Dr. Jonathan Haywood, or Hayward, *Heywood*, graduated at Harvard College, 1726; married Ruth Burbeen, of Woburn, Feb. 4, 1735; selectman, 1741. (*Vide* Sewall's History, 590, 595.)

(145.) "Benjamin Brooks Son of M'r Benjamin and M'rs Susanna Brooks Died Sep'br 1'st 1749 Aged 8 Weeks & 4 Days."

Benjamin Brooks, son of Benjamin (epitaph 214) and Susanna (Kendall) Brooks, born July 2, 1749.

(146.) "Here lyes Buried the Body of M'r John Richardson Who Departed this Life Oct. 29'th A. D. 1749 Aged 81 Years 9 Months & 25 D's."

John Richardson, born Jan. 16, 1667–68, son of Theophilus and Mary (Champney) Richardson; grandson of Ezekiel Richardson, an early settler of Woburn; was thrice married. (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 633.)

(147.) "Here lyes Buried y^e^ Body of M'rs Mary Holdin; Wife to M'r John Holdin Who Departed this Life Nov'er y^e^ 21'st 1749 in y^e^ 49 Year of Her Age."

Mary Holden, wife of John Holden; perhaps the John Holden living in April, 1756 (*vide* Sewall's Woburn, 536), and who died October, that year.

(148.) "Here Lyes Buried y^e^ Body of M'rs Rachel Wright Widow of M'r Joseph Wright who departed this Life June 21'st 1750 in y^e^ 55'th Year of her Age."

Rachel (Brooks) Wright, widow of Joseph Wright, married Nov. 19, 1729; was born Nov. 29, 1695, daughter of Jabez (epitaph 128) and Rachel (Buck) Brooks.

(149.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Bridge't Richardson Wife to Dea'con Stephen Richardson Who Died July y^e^ 1'st 1750 Aged 76 Years."

Bridget (Richardson) Richardson, wife of Deacon Stephen Richardson (epitaph 157), married Nov. 21, 1695; daughter, probably, of Theophilus and Mary (Champney) Richardson.

(150.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Phebe Wyman Wife to M'r David Wyman Who Died Nov'br y^e^ 24'th A. D 1750 in y^e^ 54'th Year of Her Age."

Phebe (Richardson) Wyman, wife of David Wyman, married Oct. 31, 1716; daughter of Nathaniel and Mary Richardson, born March 4, 1695–96. Her husband was son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Richardson) Wyman. (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 653.)

(151.) "Here Lyes y^e^ Body of M'r Nathan Brooks Who Departed this life Jan'ry y^e^ 6'th 1751 in y^e^ 45'th Year of His Age."

Nathan Brooks, born Nov. 1, 1706, son of John and Mary (Richardson) Brooks; great-grandson of Henry Brooks, family ancestor; married Sarah Wyman (epitaph 131).

(152.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Susanna Carter Wife to M'r Thomas Carter Who Died Aug'st 12'th 1751 in y^e^ 57'th Year of Her Age."

"The Memory of the Just is Blessed."

Susanna Carter, wife of Thomas Carter (epitaph 163).

(153.) "Elizabeth Wyman Dau'tr of M'r Benjamin & M'rs Esther Wyman Died Aug'st y^e^ 26'th 1751 Aged 4 Days."

Elizabeth Wyman, daughter of Capt. Benjamin (epitaph 229) and Esther (Richardson) Wyman (epitaph 154), born Aug. 22, 1751.

(154.) "Here lyes Buried y^e^ Body of M'rs Esther Wyman Wife to M'r Benjamin Wyman Who Departed this Life Sep'tr 16'th 1751 in y^e^ 44'th Year of Her Age."

Esther (Richardson) Wyman, wife of Capt. Benjamin Wyman (epitaph 229), married June 27, 1733; daughter of Jacob and Hannah (Converse) Richardson (epitaph 140), born June 25, 1707.

(155.) "Here ********* M'rs Mary Sawyer Wife to M'r Joshua Sawyer Who Died Octo'br 23'd 1751 in y^e^ 69'th Year of Her Age."

Mary (Carter) Sawyer, wife of Joshua Sawyer (epitaph 112), daughter of Thomas and Margery (Whitmore) Carter, born Oct. 5, 1683, and granddaughter of Rev. Thomas Carter, first minister of Woburn. "Mary Carter" and "Joshua Sawyer, Jr., of Charlestown," were married May 22, 1706. (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 597.)

(156.) "Here Lyes Buried the Body of M'r Timothy Winn Who Departed this Life Jan'ry 5'th Anno Dom'i 1752 Aged 65 Years."

Timothy Winn, born Feb. 27, 1686–87, son of Ensign Joseph and Rebecca (Reed) Winn, of Woburn; married Elizabeth Brooks (epitaph 85), and, second, Jane Belknap, married Feb. 18, 1729–30; died of small-pox, May, 1775. (*Vide* Sewall's History, 650.)

(157.) "Here lyes Buried y^e^ Body of Dea'con Stephen Richardson Who Departed this life Feb'ry y^e^ 4^th^ 1752 in y^e^ 79'th Year of His Age."

Deacon Stephen Richardson, born Feb. 7, 1673–74, son of Joseph and Hannah (Green) Richardson, and grandson of Samuel Richardson the emigrant; married Bridget Richardson (epitaph 149); was made deacon of Woburn Church, 1745, and was captain of militia. Ensign Stephen Richardson was a selectman of Woburn, 1721. (*Vide* Sewall's History, 634, etc.)

(158.) "Here lyes Buried y^e^ Body of M'r Asa Richardson Who Departed this life March 17'th 1752 in y^e^ 39'th Year of His Age."

Asa Richardson, born Dec. 12, 1713, son of Deacon Stephen (epitaph 157), and Bridget (epitaph 149) Richardson; married Hannah Locke. (*Vide* Book of Lockes, 32.)

(159.) "Here lyes Buried the Body of M'r Jonathan Tompson of Medford Who Departed this Life June 9'th 1752 Aged 62 Years"

Jonathan Thompson, of Medford, born in Woburn, Feb. 9, 1689-90, son of Jonathan and Frances (Whitmore) Thompson (*vide* Sewall's History, 644, etc.), died at Medford. He married Phebe Carter and Abigail Fowle. (*Vide* Thompson Genealogy.)

(160.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Martha Boardman Relict to M'r Andrew Boardman of Boston Who Died August the 25'th A. D. 1752 Aged 54 Years."

(161.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Susanna Wyman Widow to Ensig'n Samuel Wyman Who Died Nov'br y^e^ 24'th 1752 in y^e^ 65'th Year of Her Age."

Susanna (Simonds) Wyman, widow of Ensign Samuel Wyman (epitaph 122), daughter of James and Susanna Simonds, born May 2, 1689.

(162.) "Here lyes Buried y^e^ Body of M'r John Holdin Jun'r Who Departed this Life Jan'ry 23'd 1753, Aged 21 Years & 28 Days."

John Holden, son of John and Mary Holden (epitaph 147), born Dec. 25, 1731.

(163.) "Here lyes Buried y^e^ Body of M'r Thomas Carter Who Departed this life March y^e^ 17'th 1753 in y^e^ 66'th Year of His Age."

"The Memory of y^e^ Just is Blessed."

Thomas Carter, probably Thomas, born July 3, 1687, son of Lieut. John (epitaph 95) and Ruth (Burnham) Carter (epitaph 84). His wife, Susanna, died 1751 (epitaph 152). (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 598.)

(164.) "Here lyes Buried y^e^ Body of M'r Eleazer Richardson who departed this life April 17'th 1753 in y^e^ 58'th Year of His Age."

Eleazer Richardson, born "Feb. 10, 1692-3," son of Samuel (epitaph 43)and Sarah (Hayward) Richardson (epitaph 66); married wife Susanna (epitaph 172).

(165.) "Benjamin Brooks Son of M'r Benjamin & M'rs Susanna Brooks Died Aug'st 17'th 1753 Aged 3 Years 1 Month & 27 Days."

Benjamin Brooks, son of Benjamin (epitaph 214) and Susanna (Kendall) Brooks, born June 2, 1750.

(166.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Mary Peirce Wife to M'r Josiah Peirce Jun'r Who Died Nov'br y^e^ 11^th^ 1753 in y^e^ 36'th Year of Her Age."

"Also Mary their Dau'tr Died Dece'br 28'th 1753 Aged 2 Months & 2 Days."

Mary (Dorr) Peirce, first wife of Josiah Peirce, Jr.: marriage intention dated Aug. 15, 1752. Her child, Mary, above mentioned, was born Oct. 26, 1753. Josiah Peirce, Jr., her husband, son of Deacon Josiah and Hannah Peirce, born March 30, 1720, was grandson of John and Deborah (Converse) Peirce, and great-grandson of Thomas Peirce, "Sargent," of Woburn, 1643. Josiah Peirce, Jr., married, second, Mrs. Ruth (Simonds)

Thompson (intention of marriage dated Jan. 1, 1756), the widow of Benjamin Thompson (epitaph 178), and mother of Sir Benjamin Thompson, Count Rumford. Peirce died August, 1798, at Flintstown, Me. (*Vide* Ellis's Life of Rumford.)

(167.) "Mary Snow, Dau'tr of M'r Isaac and M'rs Phebe Snow Who Died Dec'br 8'th 1753 in y^e^ 7^th^ Year of Her Age."

Mary Snow, daughter of Isaac (epitaph 242) and Phebe (Richardson) Snow, born April 26, 1747.

(168.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of Philip Alexanders, Son of Philip Jun'r & Sarah his Wife, Who Died May 13'th 1754 in y^e^ 18'th Year of His Age."

Philip Alexander, born Feb. 12, 1736–37, son of Philip, Jr., and Sarah (Sawtelle?) Alexander. His parents were married in Woburn, July 1, 1736.

(169.) "Here lyes Buried y^e^ Body of M'rs Hannah Tompson Who Departed this life June y^e^ 16'th 1754 Aged 37 Years."

Hannah Thompson never married; was daughter of Ebenezer (epitaph 115) and Mary (Winn) Thompson (epitaph 175), and was buried by the side of her father. (*Vide* Thompson Genealogy.)

(170.) "Here lyes Buried the Body of M'r Samuel Richardson Who Departed this Life Sept'br y^e^ 3'd 1754 in y^e^ 84'th Year of His Age."

Samuel Richardson, born Nov. 5, 1670, son of Samuel (epitaph 43) and Martha Richardson, married Susanna Richardson (epitaph 94), Jan. 6, 1703-4. His twin brother, Thomas, was slain by Indians, 1676.

(171.) "Here Lyes y^e^ Body of Zechariah Snow Son of M'r Timothy & M'rs Lydia Snow Who Departed this Life Sep't 21'st A. D. 1754 in y^e^ 36 Year of His Age."

Zechariah Snow, born Aug. 15, 1719, son of Timothy (epitaph 132) and Lydia (Peirce) Snow (epitaph 197).

(172.) "Here Lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Susanna Richardson Wife to M'r Eleazer Richardson Who Died Octo. 17'th 1754 in y^e^ 39'th Year of Her Age."

Susanna Richardson, wife of Eleazer Richardson (epitaph 164), daughter of Thomas and Susanna Carter, born Oct. 20, 1715; marriage intention Aug. 1, 1745.

173.) "Here lyes Buried the Body of M'r Jesse Wyman Who Departed this Life Nov'br 2'd 1754 Aged 23 Years 6 Mon's & 15 D's."

Jesse Wyman, born April 7, 1731, son of David and Phebe Richardson) Wyman (epitaph 150).

(174.) "Here lyes Buried the Body of Jonathan Pool Esq'r Who Departed this Life Feb'ry 8'th A. D. 1755. Ætatis 63.

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"The Rightious are taken away from y^e^ Evil to come, while y^e^ liveing lay it not to their Harts. The Memory of the Just is Blessed."

Jonathan Poole, Esq., a gentleman "of distinction" in Woburn "from abroad." Selectman of the town from 1737 to 1740, and the same in 1744; and prominent on important committees, etc. Married wife Esther, born Oct. 17, 1695, daughter of Col. Eleazer (epitaph 93) and Esther (Green) Flagg (epitaph 123). (*Vide* Bond's Watertown Genealogies, 763.) Mrs. Esther Poole was deceased before June, 1772. (*Vide* Sewall's History, 299.) Esquire Poole was employed to provide the "splendid and costly entertainment" made by the town at the ordination of the Rev. Edward Jackson, in 1729. His remarkable and oft-quoted bill against the town for expenses on that occasion is preserved in Woburn Records. He was administrator of the estate of Col. Flagg, late of Woburn, deceased; and with Esther, his wife, and others, sells certain tracts of land in Lancaster, about two hundred and twenty-five acres, May 1, 1727. (*Vide* Sewall's History, 263; also *ibid.*, 83, 297, 308, 580, etc.)

(175.) "Here lyes Buried y^e^ Body of M'rs Mary Tompson Widow of M'r Ebenezer Tompson who departed this life May y^e^ 11'th A. D. 1755 Aged 72 Years."

Mary (Winn) Thompson, widow of Ebenezer Thompson (epitaph 115).

(176.) "Elizabeth Brook's Died June 8'th 1755 Aged 10 Wekes."

Elizabeth Brooks, born April 8, 1755, daughter of Nathan (epitaph 183) and Elizabeth (Fowle-Richardson) Brooks. (*Vide* epitaph 245; *vide* epitaph 184, note.)

(177.) "Here Lyes y^e^ Body of Hannah Peirce Daugh'tr of M'r Josiah and M'rs Hannah Peirce who Died Octo'br y^e^ 23'd 1755 Aged 27 Years."

Hannah Peirce, born Dec. 6, 1728, daughter of Deacon Josiah and Hannah Peirce of Woburn, and sister of Josiah Peirce, Jr. (*Vide* note, epitaph 166.)

(178.) "Here lyes Buried y^e^ Body of M'r Benjamin Tompson Who Departed this Life Nov'br y^e^ 7'th 1755 Aged 25 Years."

Benjamin Thompson, son of Capt. Ebenezer and Hannah (Converse) Thompson, born Nov. 27, 1729, and descended from the family ancestor, James Thompson. (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 643, 644.) Married Ruth, daughter of Lieut James and Mary (Fowle) Simonds. (*Vide ibid*, 639, 640.) Intention of marriage dated May 30, 1752. Was father of Sir Benjamin Thompson, Count Rumford (born Woburn, March 26, 1753). Ruth (Simonds) Thompson, the mother of Rumford, married a second husband, Josiah Peirce, Jr. (*Vide* note, epitaph 166.) She died in Flintstown, Me., after 1811. (*Vide* Ellis's Life of Rumford, Sewall's History of Woburn, etc.)

(179.) "Here Lyes Buried y^e^ Body of Dea'con George Reed; who Departed this life Jan'ry y^e^ 20'th A. D. 1756 in y^e^ 96'th Year of His Age."

Deacon George Reed, born in Woburn, Sept. 14, 1660; married Abigail Peirce (epitaph 72), his first wife; and second, Sybil Rice, of Sudbury. He was a deacon in First Church, Woburn, from 1719 till 1735, when, at the gathering of the Precinct (now Burlington) Church, he was chosen one

of its first two deacons. (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 631, etc.; History Reed Family, 105.) Lieut. Thomas Reed (epitaph 107) was his half-brother. The mother of Deacon George Reed was Elizabeth Jennison, first wife of his father, George Reed, Sr.; the latter being a native of England.

(180.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of Esther Richardson, Dau'tr of M'r Noah & Mr's Phebe Richardson who departed this life March y^e^ 15'th 1756 in y^e^ 17'th Year of Her Age."

Esther Richardson, daughter of Noah (epitaph 181) and Phebe (Walker) Richardson (epitaph 243), born Sept. 29, 1739.

(181.) "Here lyes Buried y^e^ Body of M'r Noah Richardson Who Departed this Life June y^e^ 23'd 1756 in y^e^ 54'th Year of His Age."

Noah Richardson, born March 5, 1702-3, son of Pierson and Mary (Perrin) Richardson, grandson of Lieut. John (epitaph 17) and Mary (Pierson) Richardson; married Phebe Walker (epitaph 243). Noah Richardson was a hatter, living at the sign of the Ark in Woburn (*Cf.* Bouton's History, Concord, N. H., 691), latterly known as the Daniel Richardson Place, 616 Main Street. This was the original tavern stand in Woburn.

(182.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Ruhamah Heartwell Widow to Deacon Joseph Heartwell Who Died July 1'st 1756 in y^e^ 78'th Year of Her Age."

Ruhamah (Cutter) Hartwell, widow of Deacon Joseph Hartwell (epitaph 121), married Feb. 1, 1705-6; youngest daughter and child of Richard and Frances (Perriman-Amsden) Cutter, of Cambridge. (*Vide* History Cutter Family of New England, 37.)

(183.) "Here lyes Buried the B*d* ** M'r Nathan Brooks Who Departed this Life Jan'ry 26'th 1758 Aged 30 Years."

Nathan Brooks, born Nov. 6, 1727, son of Nathan (epitaph 151) and Sarah (Wyman) Brooks (epitaph 131), married Elizabeth Richardson, daughter of Pierson and Elizabeth Richardson; intention of marriage dated March 18, 1749. She married Zebadiah Wyman, Jan. 6, 1764, and died 1776 (epitaph 245).

(184.) "Elizabeth Brook's Died Feb'ry 12'th 1758 Aged 8 Months."

Elizabeth Brooks, born June 11, 1757, daughter of Nathan (epitaph 183) and Elizabeth (Fowle-Richardson) Brooks. (*Vide* epitaph 245.) The epitaph 184 and epitaph 176 are side by side on one stone, and underneath both inscriptions these words: —

"Children of M'r Nathan & M'rs Elizabeth Brooks."

(185.) "*** **es y^e^ Body of *** **th Symmes **** to William **mmes Who Died *arch 16'th 1758 in y^e^ **** Year of Her Age."

Ruth (Converse) Symmes, died March 16, 1758, aged 72 (?), wife of William Symmes (epitaph 198); married Dec. 7, 1704; was born May 28, 1686, daughter of Capt. Josiah (epitaph 65) and Ruth (Marshall) Converse.

(186.) "Here lyes Buried the Body of M'r Jonathan Richardson who departed this life July the 16'th 1759 Aged 63 Years."

Jonathan Richardson, born July 16, 1696, son of Samuel (epitaph 43) and Sarah (Hayward) Richardson (epitaph 66); married Abigail Wyman.

(187.) "Here Lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Esther Thompson Wife to M'r Abijah Thompson Who Died of the Small Pox Jan'ry y^e^ 3'd 1761 in y^e^ 21'st Year of Her Age."

"Oh now behold y^e^ Blooming Young & fair
Se your Sad picture & your peried hear
How soon your beauties vanish from your for'm
fall into dust & mingle with y^e^ worm."

Esther (Snow) Thompson, first wife of Abijah Thompson, married Dec. 13, 1759; both admitted members of Woburn First Church, Nov. 9, 1760 (*vide* Church Manual, page 10); was probably a native of Woburn; perhaps daughter of Isaac Snow (epitaph 242); her birth not on Town Records. Her husband, better known as Sheriff Abijah Thompson, son of Samuel (epitaph 137) and Ruth (Wright) Thompson, died Jan. 16, 1811. (*Vide* Thompson Genealogy; Sewall's Woburn, 645, etc.)

(188.) "Here lyes Buried the Body of M'r John Giles who Departed this life January 20'th 1761 in y^e^ 70'th Year of His Age."

John Giles, perhaps the John Giles, of Medford, who married Lydia Atwood, of Woburn, Nov. 25, 1756.

(189.) "Here lyes Buried y^e^ Body of Doctor Edmund Richardson Who Departed this life May y^e^ 30'th 1761 in y^e^ 29'th Year of His Age."

"Behold all you that do pass by
As you are now So once was I
As I am now so you must be
prepare for death & follow me."

Dr. Edmund Richardson, born July 9, 1732, son of Noah (epitaph 181) and Phebe (Walker) Richardson (epitaph 243).

(190.) "Here lyes Buried y^e^ Body of M'r Noah Richardson Jun'r who Departed this life July y^e^ 6'th 1761 in y^e^ 33'rd Year of His Age."

Noah Richardson, son of Noah (epitaph 181) and Phebe (Walker) Richardson (epitaph 243), born Dec. 15, 1725.

(191.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Lucy Richardson Dau'tr of M'r Noah & M'rs Phebe Richardson Who departed this life July y^e^ 21'st 1761 Aged 24 years."

Lucy Richardson, daughter of Noah (epitaph 181) and Phebe (Walker) Richardson (epitaph 243), born July 22, 1737.

(192.) "Here lyes Buried the Body of M'rs Esther Walker Wife to M'r Edward Walker Who Departed this life Sept'br the 23'd 1761 Aged 65 Years."

Esther (Peirce) Walker, wife of *Mr.* Edward Walker, married March 31, 1718. (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 171, etc.) She was daughter of Benjamin (epitaph 52) and Mary Peirce, and born Oct. 25, 1696.

(193.) "Here lies the Body of M'rs Abigail Symmes Wife to M'r John Symmes Who departed this life May 28'th 1762 Aged 23 Years."

Abigail (Dix) Symmes, wife of John Symmes, of Charlestown (upper end, now Winchester), married Nov. 7, 1754; daughter of John and Mary (Cook) Dix, of Waltham, and born there, May 21, 1733. Her husband was son of William (epitaph 198) and Ruth (Converse) Symmes (epitaph 185). (*Vide* Bond's Watertown Genealogies, 199; Brooks's History Medford, 543.)

(194.) "In Memory of Hannah Peirce Dau'tr of M'r Josiah & M'rs Ruth Peirce Who died Dec'br 24'th 1762 y^e^ 5'th Year of her Age."

Hannah Peirce, born Sept. 12, 1758, daughter of Josiah, Jr., and Ruth (Simonds-Th mpson) Peirce, and half-sister of Count Rumford. (*Vide* epitaph 166, note.)

(195.) "Here lyes Buried the Body of M'r Henry Gardner who departed this life Decem'br y^e^ 16'th 1763 Aged 66 Years."

Henry Gardner, born Aug. 2, 1698, son of Henry (epitaph 55) and Elizabeth Gardner (epitaph 27).

(196.) "Zebediah Richardson son of M'r Zebediah & M'rs Esther Richardson died Jan'ry 4'th 1764 Aged 5 Months & 17 D's."

Zebadiah Richardson, born Aug. 21, 1763, son of Zebadiah and Esther (Swan) Richardson; married at Cambridge, April 19, 1759.

(197.) "Here lies y^e^ Body of M'rs Lydia Snow widow to M'r Timothy Snow Who departed this Life April y^e^ 27'th 1764 Aged 81 Years."

Lydia (Peirce) Snow, widow of Timothy Snow (epitaph 132), married Jan. 16, 1705-6; daughter of Samuel and Lydia (Bacon) Peirce, born May 25, 1683; and grand-daughter of Sergt. Thomas Peirce, of Woburn, 1643, died Nov. 6, 1685.

(198.) "Here lyes Buried the Body of M'r William Symmes who departed this life May the 24'th 1764 Aged 86 Years."

William Symmes, born Jan. 7, 1679, son of William and Mary Symmes, and grandson of Rev. Zechariah Symmes, minister at Charlestown; married Ruth Converse (epitaph 185). He inherited two thirds of his father's large estate, and had a clothing mill where Mr. Bacon's (Winchester) now is. (*Vide* Brooks's History Medford, 543; Sewall's Woburn, 227.)

(199.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Betty Brooks Wife to M'r Josiah Brooks who departed this Life July y^e^ 3'd 1764 in y^e^ 20'th Year of Her Age."

Betty (Flagg) Brooks, wife of Josiah Brooks, married Aug. 11, 1763. He was born Dec. 14, 17[illegible]; was son of Nathaniel and Submit Brooks,

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(205.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Susanna Fowle Wife to James Fowle Esq'r who departed this life Nov'br the 11'th 1767 Aged 53 Years."

Susanna (Wyman) Fowle, wife of James Fowle, Esq. (*vide* note, epitaph 269), married Oct. 22, 1741. She was daughter of Samuel and Susanna Wyman (? Ensign Samuel [epitaph 122] and Susanna [epitaph 161] Wyman), and was born Feb. 14, 1714–15, in Woburn. "Susanna Fowle (Mrs. James) admitted a member of Woburn First Church, Nov. 21, 1756." (Church Manual, p. 9.)

(206.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Sarah Richardson Dau'tr of M'r Noah & M'rs Phebe Richardson Who departed this Life Decem'br y^e^ 9'th 1767 Aged 22 Years."

Sarah Richardson, daughter of Noah (epitaph 181) and Phebe (Walker) Richardson (epitaph 243), born May 30, 1745.

(207.) "Samuel Kendall Son of M'r Obidiah & M'rs Elizabeth Kendall died Feb'ry 22'd 1768 in y^e^ 4'th Year of His Age."

Samuel Kendall, born Dec. 8, 1764, son of Deacon Obadiah and Elizabeth (Miles) Kendall; grandson of Lieut. Samuel (epitaph 200) and Elizabeth Kendall (epitaph 117).

(208.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of M'r Isaac Brooks Who departed this life March y^e^ 23'd 1768 in y^e^ 38'th Year of His Age."

Isaac Brooks, born July 31, 1729, son of Nathan (epitaph 151) and Sarah (Wyman) Brooks (epitaph 131); married Joanna Holden (intention dated June 23, 1753), and both were admitted members of Woburn First Church, Dec. 6, 1761. (*Vide* Church Manual, p. 10.)

(209.) "Here Lyes Buried the Body of M'r Ichabod Richardson who departed this Life May the 12'th 1768 in the 63'd Year of His Age."

Ichabod Richardson, born Jan. 11, 1705–6, son of Deacon Stephen (epitaph 157) and Bridget (epitaph 149) Richardson. He was a selectman of Woburn in 1756. (*Vide* Sewall's History, 581.)

(210.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Huldah Wyman Wife of M'r Nathan Wyman Who departed this life May y^e^ 28'th 1768 in y^e^ 68'th Year of Her Age."

Huldah (Simonds) Wyman, wife of Nathan Wyman (epitaph 224), married Jan. 29, 1723; daughter of Lieut. Benjamin and Rebecca Simonds, born Oct. 25, 1700; grand-daughter of William, Sr., and Judith (Phippen-Hayward) Simonds, married 1644. (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 639, etc.)

(211.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Abigail Richardson Dau'tr of M'r Noah & M'rs Phebe Richardson who departed this life July y^e^ 23'd 1768 Aged 26 Years."

Abigail Richardson, daughter of Noah (epitaph 181) and Phebe (Walker) Richardson (epitaph 243), born July 19, 1742.

(212.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Abigail Thompson Wife of Lieu't. Samuel Thompson who departed this life Septemb'r y^e^ 2'd 1768 Aged 35 Years."

Abigail (Tidd) Thompson, first wife of Lieut. Samuel Thompson, otherwise Samuel Thompson, Esq. (*vide* Sewall's History of Woburn, 644, 445, etc.), married May 15, 1753, Esquire Thompson, son of Samuel (epitaph 137) and Ruth (Wright) Thompson, was born Oct. 30, 1731, and died in Woburn, Aug. 17, 1820. She was daughter of John and Abigail Tidd, of Woburn, and was born Sept. 3, 1733.

"May 15, 1753, I, Samuel Thompson, was married to Abigail Tidd. Sept. 2, 1768, Abigail, my wife, died in a consumption, aged 35 Years." (S. Thompson's Memorandum Books.)

(213.) "Here lyes y^e^ Bo * * * * Esther Symonds, Dau'tr * * M'r James & M'rs Anne Symonds who * * * * Decem'br y^e^ 31'^st^ 1768 in y^e^ 18'th Year of Her Age."

Esther Simonds, daughter of James and Anne (Converse) Simonds, born March 2, 1750; great-great-grand-daughter of William, Sr., and Judith (Phippen-Hayward) Simonds, married 1644. (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 638.)

(214.) "Here lyes Buried the Body of M'r Benjamin Brooks Who died Jan'ry 6'th 1769, in y^e^ 52'd Year of His Age."

"A loving Husband to His Wife
A tender Parent two
Greatly lemented was His Death
By frinds and Kindred two.

"The Lord was pleas'd to Call him Home
And by a Suding Blow
'Twas By the falling of A Tree
To His Long Home did Go.

"And now He slumbers in the Dust
And will not rise before
The Lord the Judge descends from Heaven
And time shall be no more.

"Blessed are they that die in y^e^ Lord they Rest from their labours & their works do follow them."

Benjamin Brooks, born April 14, 1717, son of Jabez (epitaph 128) and Hephzibah (Cutter) Brooks (epitaph 124); married Susanna Kendall, published Woburn, April 5, 1746. (*Vide* History Cutter Family of New England, 36.)

Benjamin Brooks was treasurer of Woburn, 1750–51. (Sewall's History, 583.) This curious inscription has been often quoted — more or less correctly — by lovers of the unique in mortuary literature.

"Jan. 6, 1769, Mr. Benjamin Brooks Killed by the fall of a tree, strangely. A jury of inquest, but all well satisfied." (S. Thompson's Memoranda.) "1769 Benj. Brooks killed by falling a tree, the Jury well satisfied." (S. T.)

(215.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Susanna Skinner Wife of M'r Abraham Skinner who died Jan'ry y^e^ 8'th 1769 in y^e^ 23'd Year of Her Age.

"Behold all ye that pass by me
In Silence here I ly
and as you see that hear I be
So certain you must dy.
This Call then hear for Death Prepare
Now in your youthfull days
The Lord doth call upon you all
How dangres is delay."

Susanna (Brooks) Skinner, wife of Abraham Skinner (marriage intention dated *April* 20, 1769), was born June 4, 1747, daughter of Benjamin (epitaph 214) and Susanna (Kendall) Brooks. The year "1769" in the epitaph should be "1770."

(216.) "Thomas Richardson Son of M'r Jeduthun & M'rs Mary Richardson died Feb 22'd 1769 Aged 26 Days."

Thomas Richardson, son of Deacon Jeduthun and Mary (Wright) Richardson, born Jan. 27, 1769; grandson of Thomas (epitaph 225) and Mary (Russell) Richardson (epitaph 118). (*Vide* Book of Lockes, 69.)

(217.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Margery Carter Wife of Cap't Samuel Carter who departed this Life September y^e^ 27 1769 Aged 71 Years."

"Blessed are the Dead that die in y^e^ Lord."

Margery (Dickson) Carter, first wife of Capt. Samuel Carter, married June 30, 1719; daughter of John and Margery (Winship) Dickson, of Cambridge, and baptized there Dec. 11, 1698. Capt. Samuel Carter was born Oct. 31, 1694; son of Lieut. John (epitaph 95) and Ruth (Burnham) Carter (epitaph 84). He married, second, Mrs. Rebecca (Cutter) Hill, of Menotomy, Dec. 10 1770, and died Jan. 21, 1787, being buried in Arlington old burial-ground, where his gravestone is standing. (*Vide* History Cutter Family of New England, 44; Harris's Cambridge Epitaphs, 80, 85.)

(218.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Rebeckah Richardson Wife to M'r Thomas Richardson who departed this life April the 11'th 1771 in y^e^ 79 Year of Her Age."

Rebecca (Wyman) Richardson, wife of Thomas Richardson (epitaph 227), married in Watertown, Sept. 29, 1713; daughter of Samuel (epitaph 89) and Rebecca (Johnson) Wyman, born Nov. 11, 1693. (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 654.)

(219.) "Here lyes Buried the Body of Lieu't. Jabez Carter who departed this Life July the 10'th 1771 Aged 71 Years.

"The Memory of y^e^ Just is Blessed."

Lieut. Jabez Carter, born Sept. 17, 1700, son of Lieut. John (epitaph 95) and Ruth (Burnham) Carter (epitaph 84). (*Vide* Sewall's History, 308, 598.) He married Abigail Manning, of Cambridge (epitaph 221). Jabez Carter, of Woburn, owned the Covenant (Cambridge) Church, Aug. 30, 1724.

(220.) "Here lies Interred y^e^ Body of M'rs Abigail Fox Consort to M'r William Fox & Dau'tr of Deacon Samuel Wyman of this Town) who departed this Life Octobe'r y^e^ 26'th 1771 in Ye 28'th Year of Her Age."

"Ah, Behold how one does die
being young & full in bloom.
another dies being very old
Whom age commands to remove home.
O cruel Death, Ah what awaits thy rage
thou shows Respect to Virtue nor to Age."

Abigail (Wyman) Fox, first wife of Capt. William Fox, married June 6, 1765; daughter of Deacon Samuel and Abigail (Hartwell) Wyman (epitaph 222), born April 30, 1744.

"Oct. 1771, William Fox's wife died very sudden." (S. Thompson's Memoranda.)

(221.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Abigail Carter Widow to Lieu't Jabez Carter who departed this life February y^e^ 3'd 1772 Aged 73 Years."

"The Memory of y^e^ Just is Blessed."

Abigail (Manning) Carter, widow of Lieut. Jabez Carter (epitaph 219) married July 2, 1723, in Cambridge. (See Paige's Cambridge, 602.)

(222.) "Here lies Buried y^e^ Body of M'rs Abigail Wyman Consort of Deacon Samuel Wyman who departed this Life August 31'st 1772 in y^e^ 53'd Year of Her Age."

"Here lies y^e^ Wife of my Youth y^e^ desire of my Eyes."

Abigail (Hartwell) Wyman, first wife of Deacon Samuel Wyman, married Dec. 30, 1742; daughter of Deacon Joseph (epitaph 121) and Ruhamah (Cutter) Hartwell (epitaph 182). (*Vide* History Cutter Family of New-England, 37.) Deacon Samuel Wyman, her husband, was a prominent Revolutionary patriot and civil magistrate of Woburn, where he was born April 4, 1717, and died June 14, 1787. He was son of Ensign Samuel (epitaph 122) and Susanna (Simonds) Wyman (epitaph 161); chosen deacon of Woburn Church, 1764, to which he and his wife, Abigail, were admitted to membership, Aug. 29, 1756 (Church Manual, p. 9); selectman of Woburn, 1766, 1768, 1769, 1770–75, 1780, etc.; treasurer, 1775, 1776; representative to Provincial Congress, 1774, 1775, 1776, 1777, etc., etc. Dec. 12, 1777, he married Mary Green, widow, being the third of her *four* husbands. (*Vide* Vinton Memorial, 408; Sewall's Woburn, 656, etc.)

(223.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Elizabeth Wyman Wife of M'r Benjamin Wyman Jun'r who departed this life Jan. y^e^ 6'th 1773 in y^e^ 30'th Year of Her Age."

Elizabeth (Swain) Wyman, only wife of Benjamin Wyman, Jr., married Oct. 31, 1765, in Woburn. Mr. Thomas B. Wyman, of Charlestown, Mass., well known as an antiquary and genealogist, in a letter to the compiler of this collection, Oct. 18, 1873, states that she was daughter of Benjamin Swain and *Sarah*, daughter of Oliver Appleton, of Ipswich, the second

wife of Benjamin Wyman, Sr. Benjamin Wyman, Jr., died July 6, 1774, son of Benjamin (epitaph 229) and first wife, Esther Richardson (epitaph 154), born Jan. 1, 1740.

(224.) "In Memory of M'r Nathan Wyman, Who departed this life February the 4'th A. D. 1773 in y^e^ 78'th Year of His Age."

"He was a kind Husband
A tender Parent A Good Master a Faithful Friend
A Generous Neighbour Charitable to the Poor.
Prudent Diligent & Frugal in his worldly Affairs
A promoter of peace in Church and State
Upright and Honest in all his Dealings with men
Constant Sincere & devout in the Worship of God
Useful in Life Peaceful & Happy in Death.
Mark the Perfect man & Behold y^e^ Upright
For the End of that man is peace."

Nathan Wyman, born Jan. 8, 1695–96, son of Sergt. John and Hannah (Farrer) Wyman, of Woburn; married Huldah Simonds (epitaph 210); was a wheelwright; a subscriber of the covenant of Woburn First Church, in 1756; ancestor of Nathan Wyman, Esq., the present (1872) town clerk of Woburn. (*Vide* Sewall's History, 287, 288, 536, 657.)

(225.) "Here lies Buried the Body of M'r Thomas Richardson who departed this life June the 13'th 1773 in y^e^ 67'th Year of His Age."

Thomas Richardson, born Nov. 19, 1706, son of Samuel (epitaph 170) and Susanna (epitaph 94) Richardson. He married first, Mary Russell (epitaph 118), and second, Sarah Brooks (epitaph 258).

(226.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of Nathan Eames Son of M'r Jacob and M'rs Rachel Eames who departed this life July y^e^ 21'st 1773 in y^e^ 21'st Year of His Age."

Nathan Eames, born April 11, 1753; son of Jacob and Rachel (Wyman) Eames; grandson of Deacon Samuel (epitaph 231) and Judith (Simonds) Eames (epitaph 202), also of Nathan (epitaph 224) and Huldah (Simonds) Wyman (epitaph 210). (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 610.)

(227.) "Here lies Buried the Body of M'r Thomas Richardson who departed this life January the 12'th 1774 in y^e^ 93'rd Year of His Age."

Thomas Richardson, born Sept. 25, 1684, son of Samuel (epitaph 43) and Sarah (Hayward) Richardson (epitaph 66); married Rebecca Wyman (epitaph 218). He was in Lovewell's Fight, 1725 (*vide* Sewall's Woburn, 195, 203, etc.), and was one of the few who escaped any considerable injury. "Jan. 1774, Mr. Thomas Richardson died aged ninety, or more." (S. Thompson's Memoranda.)

(228.) "Here lies Interrèd y^e^ Body of M'r Nathan Brooks the Only Son of M'r Nathan and M'rs Elizabeth Brooks who departed this life April the 24'th 1774 in y^e^ 20'th Year of His Age."

"As man perhaps the moment of his breath
Receives the lurking principle of Death
The young disease that must subdue at length
Grows with his Growth and strengthens with his Strength."

Nathan Brooks, born Jan. 26, 1754, son of Nathan (epitaph 183) and Elizabeth (Richardson) Brooks. (*Vide* epitaph 245.) "April 26, 1774, Nathan Brooks died, consumption." (S. Thompson's Memoranda.)

(229.) "Here lies Buried the Body of Cap't Benjamin Wyman who departed this Life May the 26'th 1774 in y^e^ 68'th Year of His Age."

"The Memory of the Just is Blessed."

Capt. Benjamin Wyman, born Nov. 13, 1706, son of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Hancock) Wyman; grandson of Francis Wyman (epitaph 23); married Esther Richardson (epitaph 154); was treasurer of Woburn from 1752 to 1758, inclusive; likewise in 1774, the year he died. (*Vide* Sewall's History, 656, etc.) "May 26, 1774, Capt. Benj'n Wyman died, fever." (S. Thompson's Memoranda.)

Thomas B. Wyman, of Charlestown, well known as the author of a MS. Wyman Genealogy, embracing the Woburn families of that name, says, in a letter, Oct. 18, 1873, that "Earl Wyman had Journal of Capt. Benj. Wyman, b. 1706; beginning 1729–30, affords lengthy details, a great deal to go to type for narration." Mr. Wyman also says: "I do not know how to treat these past worthies biographically other than by a summary method — maintaining that they were worthy in their day and generation — exemplary in a measure of grateful consideration for what they did — serving to constitute and continue the inevitable current of human life to people the present time and provide the connection for all future."

(230.) "Here lies the Body of M'rs Jemima Brooks Wife of M'r Ebenezer Brooks who departed this life Nov'br the 5'th 1774 in y^e^ 57'th Year of Her Age."

Jemima (Locke) Brooks, wife of Ebenezer Brooks, married Oct. 28, 1736; daughter of William and Jemima (Russell) Locke, born July 4, 1718. (Book of Lockes, 23, 37.) Ebenezer Brooks, her husband, was son of Jabez (epitaph 128) and Hephzibah (Cutter) Brooks (epitaph 124), and born June 1, 1712. (*Vide* History Cutter Family of New England, 36.)

"Nov. 4, 1774, Ebenezer Brooks's wife died — bloody flux." (S. Thompson's Memoranda.)

(231.) "Here lies Buried the Body of Deacon Samuel Eames Who Departed this Life Janu'ry the 20'th 1775 in y^e^ 84'th Year of His Age."

Deacon Samuel Eames, born Sept. 8, 1692, son of Samuel and Mary Eames, and grandson of Robert and Elizabeth Eames, who removed to Woburn from Charlestown about 1666; married, first, Judith Simonds (epitaph 202); second, Joanna Fassett, of Bedford, July 4, 1770; was chosen deacon of Woburn Church in 1745; styled lieutenant, 1741; was one of the building committee of the third house of worship of Woburn First Parish, 1747, frame raised 1748; and, altogether, an active and influential citizen. (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 192, 309, 536, 610, etc.)

"January 20, 1775, Deacon Samuel Eames died, old age." (S. Thompson's Memoranda.)

(232.) "Here lies Buried the Body of M'r Daniel Thompson who was slain in Concord Battle on y^e^ 19'th of April 1775, Aged 40 Years."

"Here Passenger Confined Reduced to dust
lies what was once Religious wise & Just
The cause he engaged did animate him high
Namely Religion & dear Liberty.
Steady & warm in Liberties defense
True to his Country Loyal to His Prince
Though in his Breast a Thirst for glory fir'd
Couragious in his Country's cause expired.
Although he's gone his name Embalm'd shall be
And had in Everlasting Memory."

Daniel Thompson, born March 9, 1734, son of Samuel (epitaph 137) and Ruth (Wright) Thompson, married Phebe Snow, Oct. 29, 1760, daughter of Isaac (epitaph 242) and Phebe (Richardson) Snow, of Woburn. (*Vide* Sewall's History, 641; Vinton Memorial, 384.) Daniel Thompson was admitted member of Woburn First Church, Oct. 7, 1759; and Phebe Thompson, wife of Daniel, was admitted member of the same, March 11, 1764. (*Vide* Church Manual, p. 10.) He lived in Central Square, where the late Capt. John I. Richardson's place is. On the morning of April 19, 1775, he rode to North Woburn to rouse the people to resist the foe. He declared his determination to oppose the enemy, even if he alone were to do it. Early in the afternoon during the retreat of the enemy from Concord, he was shot dead in Lincoln by a British grenadier. His remains and those of Asahel Porter, the other Woburn man who fell on that eventful day, were interred in Woburn on Friday, April 21, following. Before the interment, Rev. Josiah Sherman, of Woburn, delivered a very suitable sermon and prayer. A multitude of persons who assembled on the occasion from Woburn and the neighboring towns attended the remains to the grave. (*Vide* Vinton Memorial, 384, 385, note; Frothingham's Siege of Boston, 74; Sewall's Woburn, 362, etc.)

"Our party had but three or four killed in this skirmish; one was my brother Daniel Thompson, who was much lamented and who behaved very valiantly." (S. Thompson's Memoranda.)

No stone to the memory of Asahel Porter in this yard exists; whether one was ever erected is very doubtful. The following few particulars regarding this individual may not be out of place. [A stone was erected April 21, 1875, by the G. A. R.]

He was the son of William Porter, and was shot down by the British in the early part of the day on the Common at Lexington. Having previously been taken prisoner on their march, he was killed by his captors as he was endeavoring to effect his escape. (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 362; Frothingham's Siege of Boston, 64.)

COPY OF MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE.

"PROVINCE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE } SEABROOK, Oct. 3, 1773.

"This may certify whom it may concern, that Mr Asahel Porter & Mrs. Abigail Brooks, both of Salem in the county of Essex, Province of Massachusetts Bay, are legally married by Mr. Samuel Perley, A. M., and pastor of Church att Seabrook.

"Test. JOHN BROOKS,
TIMOTHY BROOKS,
MARY KNOWLTON."

Mr. Samuel Perley's parish of Seabrook, New Hampshire, touching the seacoast and lying on the Massachusetts border, seems to have been a sort of *Gretna Green* for persons in this State a century ago. An instance in point is cited in History Cutter Family of New England, p. 48.

Abigail Brooks, married, as above, to Asahel Porter, "both of Salem," Oct. 3, 1773, was daughter of Capt. Timothy and Ruth (Wyman) Brooks, of Woburn, where she was born June 18, 1756, and baptized March 20, 1757. Her father was son of John and Mary (Richardson) Brooks, and grandson of John and Eunice (Mousall) Brooks, whose father, Henry Brooks, came to Woburn from Concord. As widow of Asahel Porter, killed at Lexington fight, April 19, 1775, as before stated, she married Ephraim Peirce (son of Jacob) (intention dated Nov. 30, 1782). Peirce died May 16, 1810, aged 52. Her death occurred Jan. 9, 1840, at the advanced age of 84. (Dr Benjamin Cutter's MS.)

"Israel (Asahel) Porter was taken prisoner by the British when they were marching up in the morning. In attempting to escape from them he was killed and his body was found close by the stone wall below (Rufus) Merriam's garden, east of the (Lexington) Meeting house." (MS. narrative of Lexington battle by Levi Harrington, an eye-witness, 1846.) (See Middlesex *Journal*, April 26, 1873.)

"A Reminiscence. — Dr. Loring in his address at Lexington on the 19th, referred to Asahel Porter. This has reminded a gentleman of Woburn who was present last Wednesday, of an account of the death of Porter. It seems that Asahel Porter and —— Richardson set out on the morning of the battle to go to market. Richardson lived where Capt. Woodberry's store in Woburn now stands. They started for Boston and their route lay through West Cambridge. They were mounted on horses with their market stuff in panniers. Near West Cambridge they were halted by the advancing column of the British. In spite of their assertion that they were peaceable citizens, they were made prisoners and made to accompany the troops to Lexington. Here the British set them at liberty on condition they should go peaceably about their business. Richardson, walked off slowly, but Porter, after walking a few steps, started to run, when he was shot by the soldiers." (Middlesex County *Journal*, Saturday, May 6, 1871.)

(233.) "In Memory of Sybil Carter Dau'tr of M'r Jonathan & M'rs Sybil Carter who died Aug'st 27'th 1775 Aged 2 Years & 6 Months."

Sybil Carter, daughter of Jonathan and Sybil (Johnson) Carter, born Feb. 14, 1773 Her parents were married in Woburn, Jan. 27, 1768. Jonathan Carter, her father, was admitted to membership in Woburn First Church, Jan. 13, 1770; and Sybil Carter, wife of Jonathan, her mother, was admitted likewise to the same church, Nov. 26, 1775. (*Vide* Church Manual, p. 11.) Her father, Jonathan Carter, born Dec. 16, 1739, son of Lieut. Jabez (epitaph 219) and Abigail (Manning) Carter (epitaph 221), died May 20 1790. Her mother, Sybil (Johnson) Carter, widow, died Nov. 17, 1797, aged fifty-four. (Woburn Records; *vide* Sewall's History, 508.)

"Aug. 27, 1775, Jonathan Carter's child died." (S. Thompson's Memoranda.)

(234.) "In Memory of Joseph Johnson Carter Son of M'r Jonathan & M'rs Sybil Carter who died Sep'br 15'th 1775 Aged 7 Months."

Joseph Johnson Carter, son of Jonathan and Sybil (Johnson) Carter, born Feb. 12, 1775. (*Vide* note, epitaph 233.)

"Sept 12, 1775, Jonathan Carter, another child, died." (S. Thompson's Memoranda.)

(235.) "Here lies Buried the Body of M'r Timothy Snow who departed this Life Sept'er y^{e} 19'th, 1775 Aged 69 Years."

Timothy Snow, born Feb. 19, 1706-7, son of Timothy (epitaph 132) and Lydia (Peirce) Snow (epitaph 197). (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 641.)
"Sept. 19, 1775. Timothy Snow died." (S. Thompson's Memoranda.)

(236.) "Here lyes Buried the Body of Deacon Nathan Richardson who departed this Life October 21'st 1775 in y^{e} 74'th Year of His Age."

Deacon Nathan Richardson, born in Woburn, June 24, 1701, son of John (epitaph 146) and Deborah Richardson, his father's first wife; was chosen deacon of Woburn Church, 1761; married *first* wife, Esther (epitaph 97); *second*, Tabitha Kendall (epitaph 114). His *third* wife, Lydia, died 1776 (epitaph 244), and was buried by his side.
"Oct. 20, 1775. Deacon Nathan Richardson died." (S. Thompson's Memoranda.)

(237.) "Here lies Buried the Body of M'r Thomas Frothingham of Charlestown who Died Jan'ury 1'st 1776 In the 64'th Year of his Age."

Thomas Frothingham, *chaisemaker*, son of Thomas and Esther (Call) Frothingham; his wife was Abigail Stone; married in Cambridge. (T. B. Wyman's letter, Oct. 18, 1873.)

(238.) "Here lies Buried the Body of M'r John Lamson late of Charlestown who departed this Life Jan'ry 12'th 1776 Aged 43 Years."

"Jan. 11, 1776, Mr. John Lamson died." (S. Thompson's Memoranda.)
John Lamson, son of Caleb and Frances (Webb) Lamson, was schoolmaster outside of the Neck, 1769 and 1772. (T. B. Wyman's letter, Oct. 18, 1873.)

(239.) "Here lies Buried the Body of M'r Jacob Rhodes of Charlestown who departed this Life March the 1'st 1776 Aged 61 Years."

Jacob Rhodes came to Charlestown from Boston; married Hannah Kidder, 1737 (living 1787); had nine children. (T. B. Wyman's letter, Oct. 18, 1873.)
At the time of Bunker Hill battle and the burning of Charlestown, June 17, 1775, and possibly as early as April 20, 1775, Thomas Frothingham, John Lamson, and Jacob Rhodes, all of Charlestown, whose respective deaths are severally commemorated in epitaphs 237, 238, 239, probably, as did others, retired into the country.
1775, Nov. 25, died in Woburn, Fanny Temple, daughter of Robert Temple, Esq., of Ten Hills Farm, aged 19 years. Same year, Dec. 23, in Woburn, died Madam Temple, late of Charlestown, aged 84 years. 1775, "Fanny Temple died November, at Lieut. Walker's." (S. Thompson's Memoranda.)

(240.) "Here lies Buried the Body of M'r Eleazer Flagg Pool who departed this Life March the 17'th 1776 Aged 42 Years."

"These deaths are much to be observ'd
Such instances are scarce heard off.
Six weeping Children in Eight Days
follow'd Father & Mother to their Graves.
My Children dear behold and See
no age nor Sex from death is free.
Soon death may come & nip your Bud
and you must stand before your God."

(241.) "Here lies the Body of M'rs Mary Pool wife to M'r Eleazer Flagg Pool, who departed this Life March the 24'th 1776 Aged 43 Years."

"My Children now behold and View,
these Bodies once took Care of you.
But now are level'd in the Dust,
In a short time You'll follow us.
My loving Friends that are around,
our lodgings now are in the Ground,
Our Children Young we leave behind,
deal you with them justly & Kind."

Epitaphs 240 and 241 are side by side on a "double" stone.

March 19, 1776, "P. M. Rode to Old Parish. Attended Mr. Pool's funeral. Mr. Morrill (of Wilmington) prayed and I prayed with the sick woman Mrs. Pool." 21, P. M., "Rode to Old Parish to see Mrs. Pool, sick." (Rev. Mr. Marrett's Interleaved Almanac for 1776.)

Eleazer Flagg Poole (epitaph 240), son of Jonathan Poole, Esq. (epitaph 174), and Esther (Flagg) Poole, was born May 24, 1734, in Woburn; was styled Ensign and Lieutenant; and was treasurer of Woburn from 1762 to 1773. (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 298, 573, 583, etc.)

"March 17, 1776, Mr. Eleazer Flagg Poole died. 26'th Mrs. Mary Poole died." (S. Thompson's Memoranda.)

Mary Poole (epitaph 241), wife of Eleazer Flagg Poole (epitaph 240), became a member of Woburn First Church, Nov. 9, 1760. (Church Manual, p. 16.) The register of their marriage does not appear on Woburn Records; it being probably about 1756, since Mary, their first child on public record, was born in that year. The "six weeping children" of Eleazer Flagg and Mary Poole, mentioned in epitaph 240, were probably the following, viz.: (1) *Mary*, born Dec. 28, 1756, in Woburn; (2) *Jonathan*, born Sept. 5, 1758; (3) *Eleazer Flagg*, born Jan. 19, 1761, married Molly Reed, of Woburn, Sept. 8, 1779; (4) *Rufus*, born March 30, 1769; (5) *Esther*, and (6) *Theodore Carter* Poole (twins), born July 7, 1772.

(242.) "Here lies Buried the Body of M'r Isaac Snow who departed this Life March the 31'st 1776 Aged 67 Years."

Isaac Snow, born Feb. 26, 1708-9, son of Timothy (epitaph 132) and Lydia (Peirce) Snow (epitaph 197): married, first, Esther Converse (epitaph 110), and second, Phebe Richardson. Isaac Snow was treasurer of Woburn from 1740 to 1744, a selectman, 1756 and 1758; provided for the "French People" in Woburn, in 1756 and 1761; was a subscriber to the covenant of Woburn Church in 1756; did service on important committees,

and is styled "Gentleman" in legal documents. (*E. g.*, *vide* Appendix, Ellis's Life of Rumford; *vide* Sewall's Woburn, 297, 309, 536, 562, 581, 583, etc.) "April 1776, Mr. Isaac Snow, died." (S. Thompson's Memoranda.)

(243.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of M'rs Phebe Richardson Widow to M'r Noah Richardson who departed this life April 2'd 1776 in y^e^ 68'th Year of Her Age."

Phebe (Walker) Richardson, widow of Noah Richardson (epitaph 181). married Dec. 4, 1727; was born Sept. 7, 1707; daughter of Deacon Samuel and Judith (Howard) Walker (epitaph 86); Phebe Richardson, the subject of this note, perhaps joined the church in Woburn, Sept. 6, 1761. (*Vide* Manual First Church, p. 10.) Gravestones to the memory of six children of "M'r Noah & M'rs Phebe Richardson" are severally standing in different portions of this burial-yard. (Epitaphs 180, 189, 190, 191, 206, 211.) "1776 Soon after March, Mrs Phebe Richardson widow, died." (S. Thompson's Memoranda.)

(244.) "Here lies y^e^ Body of M'rs Lydia Richardson Widow to Deacon Nathan Richardson who departed this Life May 17'th 1776 in y^e^ 85'th Year of Her Age."

Epitaphs 236 and 244 are side by side on a double stone. Underneath both inscriptions are these words: —

"The Memory of the Just is Blessed."

Lydia Richardson (epitaph 244), third wife and widow of Deacon Nathan Richardson (epitaph 236). She was born Lydia Whittemore, of Malden, and was married April 3, 1740.

(245.) "Here lies the Body of M'rs Elizabeth Wyman Wife to M'r Zebediah Wyman, who departed this Life August 12'th 1776 in y^e^ 42'd Year of Her Age."

Elizabeth (Richardson-Brooks) Wyman, first wife of Deacon Zebadiah Wyman, who died 1793; married Jan. 6, 1764; widow of Nathan Brooks (epitaph 183). She was admitted to membership in Woburn First Church, Aug. 29, 1756. She was daughter of Pierson and Elizabeth Richardson.

(246.) "Here lies y^e^ Body of Abigail Brooks Dau'tr of M'r John & M'rs Abigail Brooks Who died Aug'st y^e^ 1'st 1778 Aged 13 Months."

Abigail Brooks, daughter of John and Abigail (Richardson) Brooks (marriage intention, Oct. 17, 1771), grand-daughter of Capt. Timothy and Ruth (Wyman) Brooks. (*Vide* note on Porter, note, epitaph 232.)

(247.) "In Memory of Jerusha Richardson Dau'tr of M'r Josiah & M'rs Jerusha Richardson who died Aug'st 27'th 1778 Aged 15 Months & 23 Days."

Jerusha Richardson, daughter of Deacon Josiah and Jerusha (Brooks) Richardson, born May 4, 1777, grand-daughter of Benjamin (epitaph 214) and Susanna (Kendall) Brooks.

(248.) "Here lies y^e^ Body of M'rs Abigail Tay Wife of Lieu't William Tay who departed this Life Sep't 26'th 1778 in y^e^ 71'st Year of Her Age."

Abigail (Jones) Tay, wife of Lieut. William Tay, married at Woburn, Jan. 2, 1724; born June 6. 1708; daughter of Samuel and Abigail Jones, of Woburn. Lieut. William Tay, her husband, died Dec. 8. 1780. (Town Records.) Lieut. Tay married, second, Widow Bethiah Winn, in 1780. (*Vide* Book of Lockes, p. 70.) "1778 Mrs. Tay died." (S. Thompson's Memoranda.)

(249.) "In Memory of M'r Andrew Evans who departed this Life Decem'r y^e^ 18'th 1778 in y^e^ 70'th Year of His Age."

"Death is a debt to nature due
As I have paid it so must you."

Andrew Evans, admitted member of Woburn First Church, Feb. 17, 1765 (*vide* Church Manual, p. 10); did service in the Revolutionary War previous to 1777. He married Mary Richardson (epitaph 251). (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 570, etc.) "1778, Mr. Evans died." (S. Thompson's Memoranda.)

(250.) "Here lies the Body of M'rs Martha Skinner widow of M'r. John Skinner who departed this Life March the 7'th 1780 Aged 61 Years."

Martha (Whitmore) Skinner, widow of John Skinner, daughter of John and Mary (Lane) Whitmore, of Medford, born April 22, 1719. (*Vide* Brooks's Medford, 562, 563.) "John Skinner, of Charlestown," and "Martha Whitmore, of Medford," were married Dec. 22, 1743. (Medford Records.)

(251.) "In Memory of M'rs Mary Evans widow of M'r Andrew Evans who departed this Life August y^e^ 31'st 1781 in y^e^ 72'd Year of Her Age.

"Saints at their death do go to Rest
In the Bosom of their Father's Love
Their happy Spirits fully Blest
To worship with y^e^ Church above."

Mary (Richardson) Evans, widow of Andrew Evans (epitaph 249), married Dec. 4, 1730. She was daughter of Joshua and Hannah Richardson, and was born March 13, 1710. (See Richardson Memorial, p. 540.)

(252.) "In Memory of M'rs Jerusha Richardson Wife of M'r Edward Richardson who died April 10'th 1782, Aged 75 Years."

Jerusha (Wyman) Richardson, wife of Edward Richardson (epitaph 266), married April 14, 1730, was born July 23, 1712, daughter of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Hancock) Wyman. (Sewall's Woburn, 655.)

(253.) "In Memory of Joanna Skinner Dau'tr of M'r John and M'rs Susanna Skinner who died June y^e^ 5'th 1782 Aged 3 Years and 6 Months."

Joanna Skinner, born Dec. 11, 1778, daughter of John and Susanna (Fassett) Skinner, both of Woburn, married Sept. 8, 1770.

(254.) "Here lies Buried the Body of Lieu't Stephen Richardson who departed this Life July the 18'th 1783 Aged 39 Years."

"The Memory of y^e^ Just is Blessed."

Lieut. Stephen Richardson, born Sept. 4, 1744, son of Stephen and Mary (Sawyer) Richardson (epitaph 256); married Martha Wyman, July 9, 1770. "He died of a fever, occasioned by drinking cold water in a hot day." (*Vide* Vinton Memorial, 75; Sewall's Woburn, 574, etc.)
"July 18, 1783, Stephen Richardson died; 20th, Buried." (S. Thompson's Memoranda.)

(255.) "In Memory of M'r Ebenezer Richardson who died Sept'br 8'th 1783 In the 61'st Year of his Age."

Ebenezer Richardson, born Aug. 26, 1722, son of Thomas (epitaph 227) and Rebecca (Wyman) Richardson (epitaph 218).
"Sept. 9, 1783. Ebenezer Richardson buried." (S. Thompson's Diary.)

(256.) "In Memory of M'rs Mary Richardson wife of M'r Stephen Richardson who died Nov'br 22'd 1783 In the 78'th Year of Her Age."

Mary (Sawyer) Richardson, wife of Stephen Richardson, married Aug. 26, 1736; was born Sept. 14, 1706; daughter of Joshua (epitaph 112) and Mary (Carter) Sawyer (epitaph 155). Her husband, Stephen Richardson (epitaph 261), was son of Stephen and Bridget (Richardson) Richardson. (*Vide* Vinton Memorial, 46; Richardson Memorial, p 196.)

(257.) "Here lies Buried the Body of M'r Benjamin Symonds who Died Dec'br 10'th 1783 Aged 59 Years.

"He was a Kind Husband
a tender Parent
& Charitable to the Poor.
The memory of the Just shall
flourish when they sleep in dust.

Benjamin Simonds, great-grandson of William Simonds, was born June 1, 1724, and was the only son of Benjamin and Abigail (Wood) Simonds; married Susanna Simonds, daughter of Lieut. James Simonds, March 29, 1748. (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 639.)

IV. Benjamin[3] Simonds (*Benjamin*[3], *Benjamin*[2], *William*[1]), born June 1, 1724; married Susanna, daughter of Lieut. James and Mary (Fowle) Simonds, and great-grand-daughter of William Simonds, March 29, 1748. He died in Woburn, Dec. 10, 1783. His wife, Susanna, died Nov. 15, 1816, aged 92. They had issue: (1) *Susanna*, born Feb. 11, 1749; married, first, Ebenezer Page, of Bedford, Dec. 4, 1781; second, John Webber, of Bedford, Nov. 21, 1786. She died Feb. 5, 1825. (2) *Benjamin*, born Dec. 30, 1751; died Dec. 24, 1753. (3) *Benjamin*, born May 20, 1754; married Ruth, daughter of James and Anna (Lawrence) Simonds, May 22, 1783, and died February, 1827. She was born in Leominster (where her parents removed from Woburn in 1744), July 3, 1757, and was granddaughter of Lieut. James Simonds. (4) *Zebedee*, born Feb. 23, 1756; died July 2, 1778. (5) *Nathan*, born Oct. 23, 1757; died March 16, 1827. He married Bathsheba, widow of Luther Simonds, May 21, 1795, and succeeded to the paternal estate of William Simonds, the ancestor. (6)

Abigail, born May 31, 1759; married Capt. David Reed, of Bedford, and died Sept. 2, 1803. (7) *William*, born March 6, 1761; died April 9, 1776. (8) *Mary*, born Sept. 5, 1762; died June 18, 1776. (9) *Martha*, born Aug. 5, 1764; married Capt. David Reed, of Bedford, and died Jan. 30, 1834. (10) *Lucy*, born April 6, 1766; died of small-pox, Dec. 16, 1792. (11) *Catherine*, born Aug. 16, 1769; died Aug. 23, 1769.

V. Benjamin[5] Simonds (*Benjamin*[4], *Benjamin*[3], *Benjamin*[2], *William*[1]), born in Woburn, May 20, 1754, and died in Bedford, in 1827. He was a lame man, having been born with a clump foot. On account of this physical disability, he was apprenticed to the shoemaking trade in Lynn, and followed that trade during his life. He moved to Bedford in 1785, but returned to Woburn two years later. He lived in a house on the site of the old Bacon house, corner of Pleasant and Reed Streets. His house was burned in 1797, and he then built the present (1890) house. In consideration of the sum of $3,800, he sold his property to "Joseph Chickering, clerk," Oct. 29, 1804, and moved to Bedford, permanently, and bought a farm of Mr. Joseph Converse, in the southern part of the town. In the deed to Chickering, the estate in Woburn is described as "a messuage of 43 acres, bounded southerly on the road from Woburn meeting-house to Lexington, except a small part of the way on land of heirs of Elisha Tottingham; thence west and north on land of John Flagg until it comes to land belonging to Loammi Baldwin, Esq.; thence by said Baldwin's land and land of heirs of John Hastings, which was formerly the Fox place, to the road first mentioned, being the farm sold to me in 1787 by Isaac Johnson, administrator of Josiah Johnson, Esq., afterwards conveyed by me to Elisha and William Penniman, and by them reconveyed to me in 1802."

By his wife, Ruth, Benjamin Simonds had issue: (1) *Benjamin*, born in Woburn, Feb. 16, 1784. (2) *Zebedee*, born in Bedford, March 12, 1786; married Amittai, daughter of John and Bethiah (Lane) Webber, June 25, 1807, and died Sept. 20, 1826. (3) *Susanna*, born in Woburn, Sept. 12, 1789; died June 18, 1796. (4) *Mary*, born in Woburn, June 11, 1792; died June 18, 1796, within ten minutes of Susanna's death, and they were buried in the same grave. (5) *William*, born in Woburn, Sept. 21, 1794; married Amelia Flint of Middleton, Mass. (6) *John*, born in Woburn, July 6, 1797; married Anna Hill of Billerica. (7) *James*, born in Woburn, Aug. 16, 1801; died at birth.

VI. Zebedee[6] Simonds (*Benjamin*[5], *Benjamin*[4], *Benjamin*[3], *Benjamin*[2], *William*[1]), born in Bedford, March 12, 1786. His wife was born in Bedford, Aug. 31, 1789, and died there Feb. 20, 1853. Zebedee Simonds was the first person in Bedford to manufacture shoes to any extent for the Boston market. He became a deacon of the church in Bedford in 1825, having joined the church in 1810. He died of virulent typhus fever, after a distressing illness of about seven days. His issue were: (1) *John Webber*, born Jan. 14, 1808; died October, 1870. (2) *George*, born Jan. 15, 1810; married Ann Jaquith of Billerica, and died in Bedford. (3) *Amittai*, born April 7, 1812; married Daniel Flagg (born May 6, 1806) of Acton, afterwards of Westford, Nov. 1, 1832. She survived him, and died March 17, 1887. (4) *William*, born April 2, 1814; died June 8, 1838, of consumption. (5) *Henry*, born Jan. 19, 1817; died in Lynn, Jan. 27, 1873. He came to Woburn as an apprentice to Charles Choate, in 1833, and subsequently engaged in the express business between Woburn and Boston. An advertisement of "Simonds's Woburn and Boston Railroad Express" appears in the *Guide-Post*, Nov. 5, 1846. (6) *Harriet*, born Nov. 6, 1818; died of consumption, Feb. 28, 1843. (7) *Edward*, born Jan. 28, 1820; married Mary Tidd of Woburn, June 13, 1844. He came to Woburn, May 1, 1837,

and became an apprentice to Charles Choate, then living where Dr. Harlow's residence now is. The shop occupied the present site of the Episcopal Church. (8) *Bethiah*, born July 23, 1821; married Hiram Whitford (born in Hillsboro', N. H., June 19, 1818), at Bedford, March 31, 1842. (9) *Zebedee*, born May 10, 1827; died May 29, 1827; was a posthumous child.

(258.) "In Memory of M'rs Sarah Richardson Widow of M'r Thomas Richardson who departed this Life June 12'th 1784 Aged 71 Years."

Sarah (Brooks) Richardson, second wife and widow of Thomas Richardson (epitaph 225) married Oct. 18, 1742, was born Dec. 25, 1714; daughter of Jabez (epitaph 128) and Hephzibah (Cutter) Brooks (epitaph 124). (History Cutter Family of New England, 36.)

"June 14, 1784, Mrs Sarah Richardson buried." (S. Thompson's Diary.)

(259.) [Marble stone.] "In memory of Lucy wife of Daniel Wyman who Died Dec. 24, 1785 Æt. 34."

Lucy (Gardner) Wyman, first wife of Daniel Wyman, married Jan. 26, 1776. "Daniel Wyman of Woburn, and Lucy Gardner of Charlestown," married Jan. 25, 1776 (per private journal of Rev. Samuel Cooke, pastor of Cambridge Second Precinct, now Arlington). She was born Nov. 16, 1751 (Woburn Records); daughter of Henry (epitaph 195) and Lucy Gardner. "1784 [*N. B.*, not 1785, as in epitaph], Dec. 25. Daniel Wyman's wife died. 27th buried." (S. Thompson's Diary.)

March 30, 1777, she was admitted to full communion by Cambridge Second Precinct Church, and at the same time was baptized (*vide* the following entry from the church records, as kept by Rev. Samuel Cooke):—

[Baptized]

"Wyman, Lucy — wife of Daniel } Æt. { Daughters of = March 30, 1777
Gardner, Elizabeth — adults } Æt. { Henry Gardner, deceased, — " " "
Wyman, Daniel — son of said Daniel & Lucy ———— April 13 " "

(260.) "In Memory of M'rs Dorothy Gardner Wife of M'r Samuel Gardner who died Feb'ry the 11'th 1787 in y^e^ 43'd Year of her age." "Also Elizabeth Gardner their Dau'tr died Jan. 10'th 1787 Aged 6 weeks."

Dorothy Gardner, wife of Samuel Gardner (epitaph 264), was admitted member of Woburn First Church, May 17, 1778 (Church Manual, p. 11). She was born Dorothy Miles, of Concord; married Aug. 9, 1769, at Medford. (Wyman's Charlestown, p. 400.) She was born March 12, 1743 (per Greenough's Gardner Genealogy, p. 10).

(261.) "In Memory of M'r Stephen Richardson who died March 6'th 1787 In the 81'st Year of His Age."

Stephen Richardson, son of Deacon Stephen (epitaph 157) and Bridget (epitaph 149) Richardson, "born about 1707." His wife was Mary Sawyer (epitaph 256).

"1787, March 8, Mr Stephen Richardson died; buried this week." (S. Thompson's Diary.)

(262.) "In Memory of M'iss Elizabeth Kendall the Dau'tr of Dea'n Obadiah & M'rs Elizabeth Kendall who died Dec. 11'th 1787; in the 18'th Year of her age."

Elizabeth Kendall, daughter of Deacon Obadiah and Elizabeth (Miles) Kendall, born April 25, 1769; grand-daughter of Lieut. Samuel (epitaph 200) and Elizabeth Kendall (epitaph 117). "Obadiah Kendall, of Woburn," and "Elizabeth Miles, of Concord" (her parents), were married in Lexington, Jan. 27, 1756.

"1787, Dec. 11, Deacon Kendall's daughter Betty died: 13'th Betty Kendall buried." (S. Thompson's Diary.)

(263.) "In Memory of Mr's Lydia Thompson second wife of Samuel Thompson Esq'r who departed this Life Octo'br 19'th 1788 Aged 54 Years."

Lydia (Jones) Thompson, of Concord, married Samuel Thompson, Esq., Feb. 26, 1770, his second wife; maiden name, Wheeler perhaps. (Diary mentions *Dad* and Brot. Wheeler, at Concord, sometimes Captain.) His first wife was Abigail Tidd (epitaph 212). Esther Wyman, his third wife, died before his decease, in 1818. He died in 1820. (*Vide* epitaphs 95 and 105, Second Yard.)

"1788, Oct. 19, My wife died; 21st, my wife buried." (S. Thompson's Diary.) "Lydia, my second wife died October 19, 1788, aged 54 Years." (*Ibid.*, Memoranda.) "Her disorder, Dropsy, consumption, etc." (*Ibid.*)

(264.) "In Memory of M'r Samuel Gardner of Charlestown who died 6'th May 1790 In the 50'th Year of his age."

Samuel Gardner, of Charlestown, admitted member of Woburn First Church, April 5, 1770 (*vide* Church Manual, p. 11); was born Feb. 3, 1740 (Woburn Records), son of Henry (epitaph 195) and Lucy Gardner. His wife, Dorothy, died 1787 (epitaph 260). "1790, May. Samuel Gardner died 6th, and buried 8th." (S. Thompson's Diary.)

(265.) "Sacred to the Memory of Mr Zechariah Symmes who died April 19'th 1793 Æt. 86.

"Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord."

Zechariah Symmes, born Sept. 1, 1707, son of William (epitaph 198) and Ruth (Converse) Symmes (epitaph 185). (*Vide* Brooks's History, Medford, 543.) Married Judith Eames, Oct. 29, 1741. She died July 24, 1795, aged 84. (*Vide* epitaph 10, Second Yard; Sewall's Woburn, 610, also 575. Also Vinton's Symmes Memorial, Boston, 1873, pp. 40, 41, for sketch of him.)

"1793, April 19, Zach^{r} Symmes died, aged 86 years: 21'st Mr Symmes buried." (S. Thompson's Diary.)

(266.) "In Memory of M'r Edward Richardson who died June 22, 1793 In y^{e} 88 Year of His Age."

Edward Richardson, "of Reading," born in Woburn, March 12, 1705, son of Jacob and Hannah (Converse) Richardson (epitaph 140); married Jerusha Wyman (epitaph 252). "Edward Richardson of Reading" was admitted member of Woburn First Church, Aug. 8, 1784. (Church Manual, p. 12.)

"1793, June 21, Mr. Ed. Richardson died, cancer." (S. Thompson's Diary.)

(267.) [Marble tablet on granite obelisk.] "To the Memory of the Hon. Loammi Baldwin Who died Oct. 20'th 1807 Æt. 63. Erected by his children."

Hon. Loammi Baldwin, born Jan. 10, 1744–45, son of James and Ruth (Richardson) Baldwin, and a descendant of Deacon Henry Baldwin, one of the early settlers of Woburn; major and lieutenant-colonel of Gerrish's regiment, and colonel of the same, 1775–76, and with his command present with Gen. Washington at Trenton, Dec. 26, 1776; resigned and discharged from the Continental Army about 1777, for ill health, and returned to his native town; served for a long succession of years on important town business; appointed high sheriff, county Middlesex, in 1780; represented Woburn in the General Court, 1778, 1779, and 1800–1805; a prominent candidate for other important offices in the State; member of American Academy of Arts and Sciences; M. A., Harvard College, 1785; the projector of Middlesex Canal, opened 1803; the namesake of the Baldwin apple; friend and correspondent of Count Rumford. Married Mary, daughter of James Fowle, Esq., July 9, 1772; died Sept. 27, 1786; and Margaret, daughter of Josiah Fowle, May 26, 1791; died Aug. 8, 1799. Col. Baldwin's spacious mansion, still standing at North Woburn, or a portion of it, according to an oral statement of the late Dr. Benj. Cutter, is the oldest house in town. (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 385–389, etc.; Ellis's Life of Rumford, etc.)

"1807 October Col. Loammi Baldwin died 20'th; intombed 23'd." (S. Thompson's Diary.)

March 5, 1810. Art. 14. Relative to giving liberty to the heirs of Colonel Loammi Baldwin, deceased, to build a tomb. Voted that the request of heirs of Loammi Baldwin, Esq., deceased, be granted, and that the same be left discretionary with the standing committee in which of the burying yards in said town, said tomb should be built. All votes of the town to the contrary notwithstanding. (Woburn Town Records.)

(268.) [Marble stone.] "Wyman Richardson, Esq, died June 22, 1841 Aged 61.

"In such an hour as ye think not the son of man cometh."

Wyman Richardson, Esq., son of Lieut. Stephen (epitaph 254) and Martha (Wyman) Richardson, born Oct. 19, 1780; graduated at Harvard College, 1804; studied law; practised law at Woburn, where Dr. Drew now (1872) lives, or where depot now (1890) stands, and died in his chaise, suddenly, as his epitaph intimates. (*Vide* Richardson Memorial, 336; Bond's Watertown Genealogies, 183.)

(269.) [Marble monument in centre of lot surrounded by iron fence.] "Erected in commemoration of James Fowle, Esq. and his descendants by John Fowle, 2d, who died Dec. 8, 1856 Aged 67 y'rs."

John Fowle, 2d, born in Woburn, Jan. 1, 1790, son of James and Jane Fowle. "James Fowle, Jr., & Jane Watts" married in Woburn, Nov. 15, 1781; she being daughter of Samuel and Susanna (Swan) Watts; married at Menotomy, by S. Cooke, April 4, 1757, and born April 29, 1760. James Fowle, Esq., died in Woburn, Aug. 16, 1779. He was son of Major John and Mary (Converse) Fowle, born June 13, 1720 (Sewall's Woburn, 613); graduate of Harvard College in 1731; town clerk of Woburn, 1746 to his death, etc. (*Vide ibid.*, 587, 614, etc.)

[The following inscriptions, from Mr. Nathan Wyman's collection of 1847, are not found in the preceding of 1866: —]

(270.) "Joseph Coggen son of John & Elizabeth Coggen was born 22'd of September 1698 & died y^e^ same day."

Joseph Coggin, born as above, son of Capt. John (epitaph 88) and Elizabeth (Richardson) Coggin. [N. B. This stone is still extant (1872); was overlooked in collection of 1866.]

(271.) "Here * * * * * * Body * * * * * Abigail Buck * * * * to M'r Sam * * * Buck who Dec'd Decemb * * 2 * * 1720 Aged 30 Years

"Also their son James Buck Dec'd Decem'br [18th] 1723 in his 9'th year."

Abigail (Wyman) Buck, wife of Samuel Buck; daughter of Cornet Jonathan and Hannah (Fowle) Wyman, born June 1, 1691. Her husband, Samuel Buck, born Nov. 13, 1682, was son of Ephraim and Sarah (Brooks) Buck. The son, James Buck, mentioned above, was born Feb. 26, 1714. (Sewall's Woburn, 596, 652.)

(272.) "Here lyes y^e^ Body of Samuel Gardner son of Henry & Elizabeth Gardner who departed this Life March y^e^ 3'd 1723 Aged 22 Years & 6 Months."

Samuel Gardner, born Sept. 10, 1700, son of Henry (epitaph 55) and Elizabeth Gardner (epitaph 27). He died unmarried. (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 615.)

(273.) "Here Lyes Buried the Body of [M'r] Zebediah Wyman, who departed this Life Jan'ry 6'th 1770 Aged 61 Years."

[Broken.] Zebadiah Wyman, born June 26, 1709, son of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Hancock) Wyman, and grandson of Francis Wyman (epitaph 23); married Abigail Peirce, Jan. 7, 1733, who died his widow, Oct. 9, 1792, aged 83. He was treasurer of Woburn, 1759, 1760, 1761. (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 583, 655, etc.)

(274.) [A marble stone recently erected (1872) contains this inscription: —]

"Zachariah Brooks Born April 20, 1742, Died Feb. 5, 1792. An Officer of the Revolution."

Lieut. Zachariah Brooks, born as above, son of Nathan (epitaph 151) and Sarah (Wyman) Brooks (epitaph 131), died in Woburn, as above stated, of "consumption." In Sewall's History of Woburn, p. 569, Lieut Brooks is mentioned as doing service in the Revolutionary War before the year 1777. Oct. 13, 1763, he married, first, Hannah Wilde, who dying Nov. 24, 1778, he married, second, Susanna Watts, June 21, 1780, and she married David Dexter, of Atkinson, Oct. 3, 1799.

"1792, Feb'y 5, Zachariah Brooks died; 8th, buried." (S. Thompson's Diary.)

INSCRIPTIONS FROM FOOT-STONES WHOSE HEAD-STONES ARE ILLEGIBLE OR MISSING.

[From N. Wyman's Collection Epitaphs First Yard, 1847.]

(1.) [Broken foot-stone.]

(2.) "Abigail Carter," foot-stone.

(3.) "John Kendall — Peter Kendall," foot-stones.

(4.) "Abigail Reed," foot-stone. (*Vide* epitaph 203.)

(5.) "Mrs. Hannah Richardson," foot-stone. [Head-stone shelled off and inscription destroyed.]

(6.) "Mr. Benjamin Wyman," foot-stone.*

(7.) "Susanna Wyman," foot-stone.

N. B. Whatever inaccuracies occur in the foregoing production it is hoped will not be attributed to want of care on the part of the printer or compiler.

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* Could he be this one? "July 6, 1774, Benjamin Wyman died, fever — forty days af his father" [Capt. Benjamin Wyman. See epitaph (*ante*) 229.] (S. Thompson's Memorand

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PROPOSED INSCRIPTION FOR A TABLET.*

PARK STREET BURIAL-GROUND.

OPENED PRIOR TO 1662, AND PROBABLY COEVAL WITH THE SETTLEMENT OF WOBURN, A. D. 1642.

HERE WERE BURIED

CAPTAIN EDWARD JOHNSON, 1672,

AND OTHER EARLY INHABITANTS OF WOBURN, OF WHOM NO MONUMENTAL MEMORIAL IS EXTANT.

DEACON JOSIAH CONVERSE, 1690
(EARLIEST STONE).

MAJOR JAMES CONVERSE, 1706
(OFFICER IN THE INDIAN WARS).

MINISTERS:
THOMAS CARTER, 1684.
JABEZ FOX, 1703.
EDWARD JACKSON, 1754.
JOHN FOX, 1756.

COLONEL JONATHAN TYNG, 1724.
COLONEL ELEAZER FLAGG, 1726.

NATHANIEL SALTONSTALL, ESQ., 1739.
MISTRESS ELIZABETH COTTON, 1742.
HONORABLE LOAMMI BALDWIN, 1807.

BENJAMIN THOMPSON, 1755,
FATHER OF COUNT RUMFORD.

DANIEL THOMPSON and ASAHEL PORTER,
VICTIMS OF THE BATTLE OF LEXINGTON AND CONCORD, APRIL 19, 1775

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TRANSCRIPT OF EPITAPHS

IN

WOBURN SECOND BURIAL-GROUND.

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INTRODUCTION.

The Second Burying-Ground was originally established by the Society of the First Parish in Woburn.

March 4, 1793. An article in a warrant of this date, for a meeting of this parish, is as follows: —

"To see if the Parish will do anything respecting the providing a new Burying Place."

March 18, 1793. The parish "voted, to choose a committee of three Persons to see if they can provide some suitable Burying place or places; and then made choice of Ens. Ichabod Parker, Mr. Daniel Reed, and Capt. Joseph Brown for that purpose, who are to report at the adjournment."

May 6, 1793. "The Committee informed the Parish that (they) had not agreed for any Burying Ground. The Parish then requested the committee to proceed further on the business; and if they succeeded, then to apply to the standing committee to call a meeting."

Feb. 4, 1794. Warrant: Art 4. "To see what the Parish will do respecting the report of their committee, who were chosen to provide a new Burying Place; and to do anything relating thereto, that the parish may think proper when met together."

Art. 5. "To see what the Parish will do respecting the Old Burying Ground."

March 17, 1794. "Voted to put off the articles of the Burying Place to the adjournment."

April 14, 1794. "Voted, that the Parish will purchase of Capt. Joseph Brown the land that was lately Zachariah Brooks, being near one acre, for the purpose of a Burying Yard, Capt. Brown to have for said Burying

Ground — £37. 10. 0 — if paid in one month; otherwise to have — £39. 0. 0.* The Parish then chose Deacon Samuel Thompson, Deacon Obadiah Kendall, and Deacon Josiah Richardson, with the standing committee to fix the fence about said Burying yard, and make a gate, and arrange said Ground for Burying, and report their doings and the cost to the next meeting. And the same committee to fix upon the time when the new Burying place should be opened, and the old Burying place shut up: and then made choice of Josiah Fowle, Deacon Josiah Richardson, and Joseph Lawrence to find out the bounds of the old burying yard, in order that the same may be enclosed."

March 2, 1795. Warrant: Art. 6. "To see what the Parish will do respecting the report of a former committee, relative to the bounds of the old Burying yard, and also to see if the parish will proceed to enclose the same."

March 16, 1795. "Voted that the selectmen of Woburn be requested to report a clause in the warrant for April Meeting, to see if the Town will give the First Parish liberty to enclose the old Burying-Ground."

April 13, 1795. "The Parish voted to enclose the old Burying ground with fence; and made choice of Deacon Jeduthun Richardson, Mr. David Johnson, and Lieut. Joseph Lawrence, to see that said Burying yard was enclosed accordingly."

April 6, 1795. Warrant: Art. 2. "To see what the Parish will do respecting the Petition of Mr. Zachariah Richardson, and a number of other persons, requesting to have a Right in the New Burying yard on paying their proportionable part to the first Parish; or to do anything respecting said Petition that the Parish may think proper when met together; and also for the Parish whether said Petitioners pay their proportionable part towards inclosing the Old Burying yard."

[COPY OF THE SAID PETITION.]

"We, the subscribers, who are at the date hereof members of the Baptist Society in Woburn, and who did formerly belong to the First Parish in said Woburn, hereby request of the First Parish in said Woburn, the Right of Burying all such persons of our respective families as may hereafter be removed by death in the new Burying yard, which the said

* An abstract of the deed recorded at Cambridge, dated April 21, 1794, reads thus: "I, Joseph Brown, Gentleman, in consideration of 37 Pounds, 10 shillings, paid by Joseph Lawrence, Treasurer, for the first Parish * * * Gentleman * * * convey unto the said Joseph Lawrence, Treasurer, as aforesaid for the sole Use and Benefit of said Parish for the purpose of A Burying Place * * * One certain piece of Land lying in said Woburn called one acre be the same more or less and is bounded as follows, viz; Northward on the Road leading from Zebadiah Wyman's Brick Store to the Mansion house late Capt[n] Timothy Brooks's, and is bounded at the Northeastwardly corner by the Thirds lately set to Susanna the Wife of Zachariah Brooks, deceased; Eastward on the land late Zebadiah Wyman Esq[r] deceased, Southward and Westward on the land now improved by James Fowle to the Road first mentioned."

First Parish lately purchased, upon condition that we pay our proportionable part according to our Polls & Estates, of what said Burying yard cost.

WOBURN, April 1st, 1795.

(Signed) ZACHARIAH RICHARDSON.
JOSHUA REED, JR.
JESSE RICHARDSON, JR.
ABEL RICHARDSON.
JOSEPH EATON.
THOMAS BRUCE, JR.
ETHAN RICHARDSON.
BARNABAS RICHARDSON, JR.
JOSEPH BOND.
HIRAM THOMPSON.
WILLIAM TAY."

April 13, 1795. On above petition voted: "That any member belonging to the Baptist Society within the limits of the First Parish of Woburn, occupy the new Burying yard in said Parish in common with the said First Parish for the purpose of burying their dead, provided they pay their proportionable part according to their polls & estates in said First Parish for what said Burying yard cost; and also their part of enclosing the old Burying yard, and all such other necessary expense as may arise respecting both said burying yards. Provided also that said Baptists comply with this vote on or before the expiration of two months.

"Voted, that a copy of the foregoing vote be transmitted to the Petitioners, and the Clerk to perform the same."

June 15, 1795. "Voted that the time for the above to comply with above vote be lengthened to the last Monday of September next."

September 28, 1795. Met only and adjourned.

October 26, 1795. "The parish passed the following vote —

"That those Persons who are members of the Baptist Society in the First Parish of Woburn, who do not now own any Right in the new Burying yard, may have liberty to Bury their Dead in said new Burying yard, on paying to the Treasurer of said First Parish half one Dollar for each grave before the same be dug; and that said Treasurer give to those persons (who apply and pay as aforesaid) a certificate to the sexton, and that he dig the graves certified in said certificates — they paying the sexton for digging said graves — and attend such funerals in the same manner as though they belonged to said First Parish."

At this period the town was divided into two parishes: the first now including the present towns of Woburn and Winchester; the second including what is now Burlington, and which was separated from the First Parish in 1730, and incorporated as the town of Burlington in 1799. In the First Parish at this time were only two religious societies. All inhabitants of the First Parish were rated as members of said parish, save

those who belonged to the Baptist Society, which had come into existence, and secured this exemption a few years previously. The town of Winchester was incorporated in 1850. The Baptist Society, observe, was styled "The Baptist Society of the First Parish in Woburn"

April 4, 1796. Warrant: Art. 3. "To see if the Parish will admit the members of the Baptist Society that live within the limits of the Parish, to be proprietors in common with the present members of said Parish, in the new Burying yard; provided said Baptists pay their proportion of the cost and charges in the purchase and repairs of the new Burying yard, and enclosing the old Burying yard agreeable to their Petition, or do anything respecting the same that the Parish may think best when met together."

April 11, 1796. "Voted that the Baptist Society of the First Parish in Woburn, may become joint proprietors of the new Burying yard, upon their paying their money, or adequate security, to the Parish Committee of the First Parish in Woburn, their proportion of the first purchase money and the repairs that have been done on the same; and also their fencing the old Burying yard.

"Voted, that the standing committee of said Parish settle with the members of said Baptist Society according to the foregoing vote."

March 5, 1798. Warrant: Art. 9. "To see if the Parish will do anything respecting the Pall."

March 19, 1798. "Left (repairs of &c) Pall (or Grave Cloth) to discretion of the committee."

April 1, 1799. Warrant: Art. 11. "To see what the Parish will do respecting the Burying Yard."

April 29, 1799. "Voted that the standing committee take care of the Burying yard and conduct that article as they may think best for the interest of the Parish"

After the separation of the First and Second Parishes of the town by the incorporation of Burlington, in 1799, the First Parish and the town were in effect one and the same organization. Hence the town in 1806 and following years chose committees to take care of the meeting-house and burying-grounds in the limits of what had been the First Parish, articles being inserted in the warrants for town meetings for this purpose. The First Congregational Parish of Woburn was incorporated in the year 1816, and was the legitimate advancement of the old First Parish, preservative of the old organization. This body still retained the burying-yard. In a warrant of the parish dated March 7, 1823, is an article: Art. 8. "To see if the Parish will give liberty to Doct. Rufus Wyman to erect a tomb in the new burying ground, or do anything respecting the same."

April 14, 1823. "Voted, that liberty be given to Doct. Rufus Wyman to erect a Tomb in the new burying Ground, under the direction of the standing committee of the Parish."

April 5, 1823. Warrant: Art. 2. "To see if the Parish will take any

measures to sell their burying ground to the town, or do anything respecting the same."

April 14, 1823. "Voted, that the Parish will take measures to sell their Burying Ground on advantageous and honorable terms for the Town and Parish." Committee of three by ballot "to have discretionary orders to confer with the committees of the Town, and make such agreement with said committee as they shall think proper, and report to the Parish their doings." Bartholomew Richardson, Calvin Richardson, and Jonas Hale were this committee.

April 21, 1823. "Voted, that the Parish take measures to sell their burying ground to the Town for the sum of $1^{c}2.50. Voted, to authorize their Treasurer to convey to the Town by deed the burying ground, and take the Town's security for the same."

March 9, 1824. Warrant: Art. 9. "To see if the Parish will direct their Treasurer to give a deed to the Town of their burying ground, or do anything," etc.

March 22, 1824. "Voted, to dismiss."

In 1824, the First Church voted that a bell on their meeting-house, procured previously by subscription, should be tolled at funerals. This was probably the origin of that custom in Woburn.

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Woburn, 1870.

EPITAPHS, SECOND BURIAL-GROUND.

(1.) "Mary Plympton eldest dau't of Doc't Sylvanus & M'rs Mary Plympton Died Jan'y 28. 1789 Aged 3 years & 20 days.

"Behold the youth just enter life,
And bloom like flowers in May,
Stay long enough to steal our hearts
Then smile & die away."

Born Woburn, Jan. 8. 1786; daughter of Dr. Sylvanus Plympton and Mary (Richardson) Plympton, who were married May 12, 1785. Parents admitted members of Woburn Church, Oct. 16, 1791.

"1789, Jan. 26, Dr. Plympton's child died." (Samuel Thompson, Esq.'s, Diary.)

This stone, of earlier date than the opening of the yard (1794), was removed from the First Yard from site of pound, where Deacon C. R. Thompson remembers seeing it standing in his youth.

(2.) "To perpetuate the memory of Mrs. Polly Clapp, wife of Maj.^{r} Jeremiah Clapp, who died with y^{e} small pox, Nov.^{r} 15, 1792, Ætat. 25.

"Had virtues charms, the power to save,
And free her votaries from the grave,
This stone had nee'r possess'd the fame,
Of being mark'd with Polly's name."

Polly (Briggs) Clapp, wife of Major Jeremiah Clapp, Esq. (epitaph 88). "1792, Nov. 15–17, Jeremiah Clap's wife Died Small Pox and Buried." (S. Thompson, Esq.'s. Diary.) (See Clapp Family in America, p. 163, etc.)

(3.) "Erected in Memory of M'r Jonathan Lawrence, who died August 1st 1793, Ætatis 68.

"Peacefull & happy in his life,
Calm & composed at death)
And with a christian fortitude,
He did resign his breath
And now he slumbers in the dust,
His soul, we trust, has winged its way,
From the abode of sin and death,
To realms of everlasting day.

Let all who knew his pious life,
Be influenced thereby,
That we may meet in heaven at last,
And Reign with Christ on high."

Jonathan Lawrence, son of Deacon Jonathan (first of Charlestown, afterwards of Stoneham) and Hannah (——) Lawrence, was born in Charlestown, Dec. 27, 1724; lived in Woburn, where he married Rachel Wright in 1750. (*Vide* Bond's Watertown Genealogies, pp. 823, 828.) She died in 1823 (epitaph 123). Jonathan Lawrence was received into full communion by Woburn First Church, April 18, 1756, being the first person admitted to membership after the ordination of the Rev. Josiah Sherman (Jan. 28, 1756), and the first named in the present church catalogue. (*Vide* Church Manual, p. 9.) The records of the church previous to the year 1756 are unaccountably missing or lost. Jona. Lawrence, collector of First Parish, 1760 (Sewall's Woburn, 336); treasurer of Woburn, 1777–78 (*Ibid.*, 583).
1793, Aug. 1, "Mr. Jonathan Lawrence died." 4th, "Buried." (Thompson's Diary.) (See note regarding family in W. R. C.'s copy, Diary, p. 156.)

(4.) "Samuel Kendall, son of Mr. Obadiah and Mrs. Sally Kendall, died Jan. 15, 1795, aged 3 years & 4 months."

"Died of canker rash"; born Sept. 21, 1791, son of Obadiah (epitaph 288) and Sarah (Johnson) Kendall (epitaph 313); married September 5, 1782.
1795, Jan. 15, "Obediah Kendall's child Died." 16, "Buried." (Thompson's Diary.)

(5.) "Erected in Memory of Miss Hannah Johnson who died Jan. 27, 1795, Æt. 25.

"O life, frail offspring of a day,
'Tis puff'd with one short gasp away,
So soon our transient comforts fly,
And pleasures only bloom to die."

"Of canker rash"; born May 20, 1770; daughter of Josiah (epitaph 40) and Sarah (Gardner) Johnson (epitaph 184); married Dec. 2, 1760.
1795, Jan. 27, "Hannah Johnson Died." 28, "Ditto, Buried." (Thompson's Diary.)

(6.) "In Memory of Miss Catharins Wyman, dau. of Mr. Samuel & Mrs Catharins Wyman, who died suddenly Feb. 15, 1795. In the 17th year of her age."

"Beneath these clods of silent dust,
I sleep where all y^e^ living must;
The gayest youth, and fairest face,
In time must sleep in this dark place."

Died of "canker rash." Samuel and Catherine (Fowle) Wyman; her parents were married in Woburn, April 22, 1773; her birth is not on Woburn Records. 1795, Feb. 16–17. "Katty Wyman jnr. Died & Buried." (Thompson's Diary.)

(7.) "In Memory of Mrs. Abigail Richardson wife of Mr. Joseph Richardson, who died Feb. 18, 1795, Aged 57 Years."

"I yield my body to its Kindred dust,
Leaving my offspring to my Saviour's trust,
And when He comes as Judge at the last trumpet sound,
May they with me among the Just be found."

Abigail (Felton) Richardson, originally of Danvers, married Joseph Richardson; published Jan. 16, 1761.
1795, Feb. 18. "Joseph Richardson wife died." 20. Mr[s] Richardson Buried" (Thompson's Diary.)

(8.) "In Memory of M'r Oliver Richardson, who died April 7th, 1795, Aged 90 years.

"His body'll slumber in the dust,
Till the last trump shall sound,
We trust he'll rise amongst the just,
And be with glory crowned."

Born Aug. 15, 1706, son of Joseph and Mary Richardson; representative of Woburn, 1769 to 1773; selectman, 1752–1755, 1770–1773 (Sewall's History); admitted member of Woburn First Church, May 22, 1774. (Church Manual p. 11.) "1795 April 7th, Mr Oliver Richardson died. Buried 10th." (Thompson's Diary.)

(9.) "In Memory of Jon^a^, son of Mr. Ebenezer & Mrs Hannah Lawrence, who died May 16, 1795, Aged 16 Months. 8 ds."

Born Jan. 8, 1794, son of Deacon Ebenezer (epitaph 304) and Hannah (Estabrooks) Lawrence (epitaph 226).
"1795 May 28, Eben Lawrenc[e]'s youngest Child Died & Buried." (Thompson's Diary.)

(10.) "Sacred to the memory of Mrs. Judith Symmes, wife of Mr. Zachariah Symmes, who died July 24, 1795 Æt. 84. Memento mori."

(See Sewall, 610. Vinton's Symmes Memorial, pp. 40, 41.) 1795, July 4. "Mrs Symmes Died." 6th, "Widow Mrs Judeth Syms Buried." (Thompson's Diary.) She was daughter of Deacon Samuel and Judith (Simonds) Eames, and was born March 22, 1718; married Zachariah Symmes, 1741. He died in 1793 (epitaph in First Yard).

(11.) "This Stone Erected to the Memory of Dean Josiah Richardson who died Dec'r 28th, 1795, Ætat. 48.

"In the midst of his usefulness
& Comfort; He resigned this
Life with Faith & Hope of
Eternal life in Jesus Christ.

"The memory of the Just is blessed."

Born Nov. 8, 1747, son of Reuben and Esther (Wyman) Richardson; chosen deacon of Woburn Church, Jan. 28, 1789. He married Jerusha Brooks, who died the widow of Ebenezer Wade, in 1842. (Epitaph 311, Second Yard.)

"1795, Dec. 29. Deacon Josiah Richardson died. 31, Dea. Richardson buried." (Thompson's Diary.) (*Cf.* N. E. Hist. Gen. Reg., XXIX., 156.)

(12.) "In Memory of Mrs Sally Holden, consort of Mr. Asa Holden. She died April 18, 1796. Aged 18 years.

"One in the flower & bloom of life
Resigns her mortal breath,
The Vigorous & the Virtuous must
Become the prey of death."

Sally (Miller) Holden, married July 23, 1795; born Feb. 14, 1778; daughter of Job (epitaph 207) and Sarah Miller (epitaph 319).

"1796 April. Asa Holden's child died 9th. buried 11. Asa Holden's wife died 18th buried 20th." (Thompson's Diary.)

(13.) "Here lies Interred the Remains of Mrs Hannah Brewster, who died on Sunday, June 19, 1796, Aged 67 years.

"All Earthly cares now from her mind are fled,
Soft be her Slumbers, Sweet her dusty bed,
'Till y^e^ shrill Trump shall wake the sleeping dead.
Then Rous'd from slumbers to her glad surprise
Meet her dear Saviour in yon Azure Skies."

Hannah Brewster, a "widow," per Town Records Mary (Carter) Brewster, daughter of Seth and Hannah, born at Wrentham, March 25, 1761. (Woburn Town Records.) (See Bond's Watertown, 183.) Dr. Lot Brewster died in Woburn 1765; he married Lucy Reed in 1754. Hannah Brewster was daughter of Thomas and Hannah Carter, born April 15, 1729. "1796, June 19, Mrs. Hannah Brewster died; buried 22." (Thompson's Diary;

see W. R. Cutter's note to copied Diary, page 190.) Benjamin Coolidge, of Boston, and Polly (Carter) Brewster, of Woburn, were married by Rev. Mr. Marrett, Sept. 26, 1779.

(14.) Mary Plympton, dau of Dr Sylvanus Plympton & Mrs. Mary his wife, died 8 July, 1796, aged 5 years & 7 months.

"From death['s] arrest no age is free,
The youngest bab[e]s may die;
My Mates, a warning take from me
Now in eternity."

Born Dec. 10, 1790, daughter of Dr. Sylvanus and Mary (Richardson) Plympton; married May 12, 1785.

"8th. Doct. Plympton's child died." (Thompson's Diary.)

A marble stone (epitaphs 355, 356), recently erected, is inscribed to Dr. Sylvanus Plympton, who died Jan. 18, 1836, aged 76, and to Mary, his wife, who died Nov. 1, 1835, aged 74. He graduated from Harvard College, 1780; selectman, 1819; representative, 1809, 1812, and 1816. (See note of W. R. Cutter's copied Thompson's Diary, p. 192.)

(15.) "This Stone Erected In Memory of Mrs Mary Wyman, wife of Mr. Joshua Wyman, She died Nov'br 27, 1796, aged 63 Years.

"Whose Friendship & Benevolence made her
amiable in life, & lamented at death:
Death is the Crown of life,
Life lives beyond the Grave."

Mary (Fowle) Wyman, wife of Joshua, and daughter of John and Mary Fowle, born May 12, 1734. (See Sewall's Woburn, 613.) Joshua Wyman, Jr., and Mary Fowle, of Woburn, were married April 24, 1760.

"Nov. 27, 1796. Mr Joshua Wyman's wife died; buried 30th." (Thompson's Diary.)

(16.) "This Stone Marks the Grave of Mr. Amos Brooks, who died Jan'ry 27, 1797, Ætat. 27 years.

"Come, let us run & take the prize,
That shines so bright before our eyes;
With patience run thro' trouble here,
Until we see our Jesus dear."

Amos Brooks. (See article of W. R. Cutter's on Brooks Family in N. E. Hist. Gen. Reg., XXIX., 155.)

"27, Amos Brooks died; 30, buried." (Thompson's Diary.)

(17.) "In memory of Mr Leonard Fowle, who died Jan'ry 16 1798, Aged 61 years."

Leonard Fowle, born June 8, 1737-38, son of Major John and Mary (Converse) Fowle. (Sewall's Woburn, 613.)

"Leonard Fowle died 16, buried 19." (Thompson's Diary.)

(18.) "Samuel son of Mr. John and Mrs Abigail Eames, died Dec. 4, 1798. Æt. 3 years & 8 months."

Samuel Eames, son of John and Abigail (Thompson) Eames; birth not on Woburn Record.

(19.) "In Memory of Mr Andrew Evans, who died Jan. 20. 1799, Æt. 64."

Born Nov. 20, 1734; son of Andrew and Mary (Richardson) Evans (epitaphs 249 and 251, First Yard); married Sarah Center (epitaph 124, Second Yard). Andrew Evans, Jr., admitted to membershipin Woburn First Church, March 14, 1774. (Church Manual, p. 11. See Sewall's Woburn, 570.)

"Died about 20th — Buried — age say 6 —." (Thompson's Diary.)

(20.) "In memory of Mrs Polly Holden, wife of Mr. Asa Holden who died Decr 10th 1799, Aged 25 years.

"O' cruel death, that will not spare
The beautiful and Young;
But aiming at the blooming age,
He cuts their Glory down."

"The memory of the Just is blessed."

Wife of Asa Holden, married at Woburn, Aug. 19, 1798, *née* Polly Richardson, born Oct. 1, 1775, daughter of Reuben and Jerusha (Kendall) Richardson.

[10] "Asa Holden's wife died, consumption. Buried —." (Thompson's Diary.)

(21.) "In memory of Mrs. Mary Blodget, widow of Mr Thomas Blodgett, who died July 25, 1800, Aged 67 Years.

"Th'o death dissolved my body now
To mingle with the dust;
I hope I have an interest in
My Saviour Christ, my God & King."

Formerly Mary Holt, of Boston, and widow of George Bruce.

(23.) "Fanny, daughter of Mr Jacob & Mrs Lucretia Wright, Died Oct. 5. 1801, Æt. 2 years & 9 months.

"We lay thee down to rest,
The cold, cold earth, a pillow for thy little head;
Sleep on, secure in death,
No care shall trouble thee.

"Erected by a succeeding sister, Fanny Wright."

Fanny, daughter of Jacob and Lucretia (Richardson) Wright, born Dec. 30, 1798. (*Cf.* New England Hist. Gen. Reg., XXXVII., 83.)

(24.) "In memory of Mr Joshua Tay, who died Dec.r 29. 1801; Aged 61."

"Death is a debt to nature due,
Which I have paid & so must you.

"The memory of the Just is blessed."

Joshua Tay, born April 3, 1741, in Woburn, son of Lieut. William and Abigail (Jones) Tay (epitaph 248, First Yard). Joshua Tay and Hannah Richardson, both of Woburn, were married Dec. 3, 1762.

(25.) "Erected in memory of Mr. John Gardner, Jr., only son of Mr. John & Mrs. Patience Gardner of Charlestown, who died 12th of Feb. 1802, in the 22d year of his age.

"In early life I quit the stage,
Farewell to earthly Joys! I freely quit
A life not half worn out with care
I leave my Parents, Sisters, Friends in tears."

John Gardner, Jr., son of John and Patience (Wyman) Gardner, of Charlestown, born Oct. 8, 1780. (Wyman's Charlestown, 400.)

(25½.) "Erected in memory of Miss Fanny Gardner, youngest dau. of Mr. John & Mrs. Patience Gardner of Charlestown, who died 18th, February 1802, in the 20th year of her age.

"Hark, she bids all her friends, farewell;
Some angel calls her to the spheres,
To those sweet groves where pleasures dwell,
And trees of life bear fruits of love."

Fanny Gardner, daughter of John and Patience (Wyman) Gardner, of Charlestown, born Feb. 3, 1783. (Wyman's Charlestown, 400.)

(26.) "Samuel Kindall, Son of Mr. Obediah & Mrs. Sally Kendall, who died March 18, 1802, aged 2 years."

Samuel Kendall, born April 30, 1800, son of Obadiah, Jr. (epitaph 288), and Sarah (Johnson) Kendall (epitaph 313).

(27.) "Joseph Converse, Son & only child of Joseph & Abigail Converse, died August 17, 1803, Æt. 9 years & 5 months."

(See History of Arlington, p. 205, for parents.)

(28.) "In Memory of Thomas Richardson, son of Mr. Thomas & Rebeckah Richardson, died Oct.r 1st, 1803, Aged 1 year & 2 mos."

Thomas Richardson, son of Thomas and Rebecca (Buckman) Richardson, born in Woburn, July 9, 1802. (*Vide* Book of Lockes, 130.)

(29.) [Marble stone.] "Sacred to the Memory of Mr. Jacob Coggin, A Preacher of the Gospel, who died Nov. 10. 1803, in the 64 year of his age.

"Blessed are the dead
that die in the Lord."

Mr. Jacob Coggin, a native of Woburn, graduated Harvard College, 1763; teacher of grammar school in Woburn, 1770–1771; a school-master by profession, and occasionally preached. (*Vide* Sewall's Woburn, 587, etc.; birth not on record.)

Jacob Coggin, A. M., and Abigail Blanchard, both of Woburn, married by Rev. J. Marrett, July 3, 1777.

(30.) "Erected In Memory of Mr Samuel Tidd, who died Aug. 1, 1804, Æt. 39."

"The Memory of the just shall live."

Samuel Tidd, born Nov. 18, 1765, son of Samuel and Phebe (Sawyer) Tidd. Samuel Tidd, Jr., and Susanna Richardson married Dec. 28, 1786. Susanna (Richardson) Tidd married, second, Deacon Thaddeus Davis (epitaph 182).

(31.) "Sacred to the Memory of Mr. Reuben Johnson, of Woburn, who died 12 Aug. 1804, Aged 53 years."

Reuben Johnson, son of Reuben and Sarah, baptized at Burlington, Aug. 23, 1761. (Johnson's Woburn Record of Births, p. 131, note. Birth not on record of town; see note to epitaph 119.)

(32.) "In Memory of Mr. Zachariah Richardson who died Nov^{r} 22, 1804, in the 85th Year of his age."

Zachariah Richardson, born in Woburn, May 21, 1720; son of Samuel (epitaph 170, First Yard) and Susanna (Richardson) Richardson (epitaph 94, First Yard); married Phebe Wyman (epitaph 54).

(33.) "Here lies the Remains of Lydia, wife of Abijah Thompson, Jun'r, who died Feb. 3, 1805, Aged 34 years.

"Also Abigail, daughter of Abijah & Lydia Thompson, who died Oct. 10, 1801, Aged 10 years.

"Also Stephen, son of Abijah & Lydia Thompson, who died July 7, 1803, Aged 6 years.

"Lodged in the peaceful grave these bodies lie,
Their souls have flown to worlds above the sky;
Weep not for us, they smiling seem to say;
We live in realms of everlasting day."

Lydia (Mead) Thompson, first wife of Abijah Thompson, Jr. (epitaph 107). He married Lydia Mead, of Bedford (marriage intention March 6, 1790); mother of the late Gen. Abijah Thompson. (Thompson Memorial.)

Abigail, daughter of Major Abijah and Lydia (Mead) Thompson, died Oct. 10, 1801, aged 10 years; was born April 6, 1791.

Stephen, son of Major Abijah and Lydia (Mead) Thompson, died July 7, 1803, aged 6 years; was born July 16, 1797.

(34.) "In Memory of Mr Josiah Fowle, who died Febʳʸ 28, 1805, Aged 74 years."

Josiah Fowle, born July 14, 1731, son of Major John and Mary (Converse) Fowle. (Sewall's Woburn, 613; see epitaph 62.)

(35.) "Erected in Memory of Lois Eames, Daughter of Mr. John and Mrs. Abigail Eames, who died Nov. 3. 1805, Æt. 17."

Lois Eames, born Aug. 22, 1788, daughter of John and Abigail (Thompson) Eames.

(36.) "Erected in Memory of Daniel Eames, son of Mr. John and Mrs. Abigail Eames who died Nov. 21. 1805. Aged 19."

Daniel Eames, born Sept. 2, 1786, son of John and Abigail (Thompson) Eames.

(38.) "Erected in Memory of Mr William Nichols, who died Feb 22, 1806. Æt. 28."

William Nichols came from Reading. He left a widow, Fanny, who married Moses Winn (see Record of Births, p. 278, note), and children, Fanny, William, and Sylvester.

(39.) "In memory of Mrs. Sally Winn wife of Mr. Moses Winn, who died 1ˢᵗ June, 1807, Aged 23 years.

"Also an infant child, aged 6 weeks."

Sally Winn, wife of Moses, and daughter of John and Aelsah (Simonds) Johnson, born Sept. 25, 1784. (Johnson's Woburn Births, p. 278; note, *ibid*, p. 132.)

(40.) "Erected in Memory of Mr Josiah Johnson, who died June 9, 1807, Æt. 71."

"And when with age thy head was silvered o'er,
And cold in death thy bosom beat's no more,
The soul exulting did desert its clay,
And mount triumphant to eternal day."

Josiah Johnson, son of Josiah and Hannah, born Feb. 26, 1736.

(41.) "In Memory of Mr. Joshua Richardson, who died July 14, 1807, Aged 30 years.

"This sudden death was occasioned by the fall
Of a house frame, to the disappointment &
Grief of his father, brothers, sisters, and a
Virtuous female whom he anticipated
For the partner of his life.

Now God his sudden summons sends
To me so unawares;
That I cannot bid my friends farewell,
But leave them all in tears.
But hush, dear parents; silence, every friend!
God gave my life, & pointed out its end;
To murmur not, but say that God is Just,
Who made us of & turns us to the dust."

Joshua Richardson, born (twin) 1777; son of Joseph and Abigail (Felton) Richardson (epitaph 7); a member of Woburn First Church; admitted July 6, 1806. (Church Manual, p. 15.) Birth not on Woburn Records.

(See account of accident which caused his death under note to epitaph 43.)

(42.) "In Memory of Mr Samuel Wright, Deceased July 14, 1807 Ætat. 27.

"This death was occasion'd by the fall of an House frame;
his death has deprived his parents of an affectionate son, on whom
they had built their hopes in declining life,
and a Brother and Sister of a sincere and
affectionate Friend, and blasted the fond
Hopes of a Virtuous Female, and the Town of
an useful & exemplary man, whose Information
And correct habits rendered him an Object of
their esteem and Regard.
Ah, cruel death, why hast thou cut him down!
And withheld his usefulness to his native Town.
Stop, thoughtless youth, come view my clay!
I once like you was young and gay;
But God, who's just in all his ways,
Soon put a period to my days.
My sudden Death proclaims aloud,
Prepare, O Youth, to meet thy God."

Samuel Wright, born Oct. 27, 1780, son of Deacon Josiah and Lydia (Buckman) Wright, of Woburn.

(See account of accident which caused his death under note to epitaph 43.)

(43.) "In Memory of Mr. Nathan Parker who died July 19. 1807 Ætat. 38.

"By a wound which he receiv'd by a fall
of a frame of an House, he has left a
widow and five children to lament the

loss of one of the best of Husbands
and Fathers. As a provider he was very
remarkable for his attention to his
Family. A very industrious & ingenious
Tradesman, a real good neighbour,
Social & confident Friend, very regular &
Just in all his dealings, & to conclude
All his moral Virtues an Honest Man.
Oh Death, thou Victor of the human frame
The soul's poor fabric trembles at thy name
How long shall man be urged to dread thy sway
For those whom thou'd untimely take away."

Nathan Parker, born in Woburn, Feb. 21, 1769, son of Josiah and Mary Parker.

Nathan Parker and Polly Richardson, both of Woburn, were married Nov. 10, 1793.

Polly Parker (Mrs. Nathan Parker) admitted member of First Church, Sept. 2, 1804. (Church Manual, p. 14.)

The account of the accident which caused Parker's, Wright's, and Richardson's deaths is the following extract from the first newspaper article ever published by W. R. Cutter. It formed part of an article printed by him in the Woburn *Journal* for Feb. 6, 1869: —

THE FALL OF THE CLAPP HOUSE FRAME, JULY 14, 1807.

On July 14, 1807, an important event occurred in Woburn, which veiled the entire community with sorrow, and proved long the common topic of conversation in all the region round about. This memorable occurrence, not noticed in our admirable town history, recently published, is well remembered by the aged among us. We refer to the lamentable accident at the building of the "Clapp Mansion," that large, square house of three stories, standing until a recent date at Central Square. It was the fashion to rear the frame of the sides of the dwellings complete; and "raisings," as they were called, were rendered important in the eyes of the general public by the provision of the usual *popular entertainment* for all strangers attending not invited to private houses.

Major Jeremiah Clapp, Esq., being a man of wealth and importance, the erection of the frame of his dwelling, of more than ordinary dimensions, commanded an unusual attendance of guests and assistants. Two sides of the mansion, to be of brick, put in after the frame was raised, were ill supplied with the necessary braces. Consequently, when the timbers intended for the crown roof were passed to the top of the structure, together with thirty or more persons to construct the same, it was casually noticed by certain of the spectators that the frame leaned perceptibly to the west. The raising was nearly finished, the hour of six had arrived, and the expectant workmen hopefully ruminated on the prospective festivity of the evening. The frame leans more discernibly than before; it is too late to avoid the calamity; all efforts are in vain; the frame falls with an awful crash, heard miles distant. A cry of agony ensues, too fearful to be ever forgotten; the spectators stand aghast at the catastrophe. Then followed a confusion that baffles description. There was a rush to extricate those buried in the ruins.

Joshua Richardson and Samuel Wright, young men of promise, were instantly killed, and their bodies were removed, horribly mangled. John Lyman, of North Woburn, after excruciating suffering, died the same night. Nathan Parker, an industrious and ingenious tradesman, died during the week, leaving a wife and five children "to lament the loss of one of the best of husbands and fathers." Thirty or forty individuals, "the strong men of our town," were wounded in an inconceivable variety of ways. Some lingered months, and even years, until death eventually relieved them of pain. Others were crippled for life, and many gradually recovered from their injuries. Jonathan Tidd, of North Woburn, had his back broken, and never walked readily afterwards Capt. Ishmael Munroe, of Burlington, Deacon Benjamin Wyman, Capt John Edgell, Josiah Parker, Jonathan Thompson, Jacob Converse, and many others of prominence, were likewise among the wounded.

The funeral of Richardson, Wright, and Lyman was held in the Third Meeting-House. Rev. Joseph Chickering, the pastor, preached an appropriate discourse to a large and sorrowing audience, from the text: "And, behold, there came a great wind from the wilderness, and smote the four corners of the house, and it fell upon the young men, and they are dead; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee." Job i. 19.

Richardson and Wright were both about to be married, and their bereaved ladies appeared with the chief mourners at the obsequies. The gravestones of Richardson, Wright, and Parker are found in the Second Burying-Ground, adorned with inscriptions uniquely descriptive of their several virtues, and eulogistic of the merit thus untimely lost to the town.

(44.) "This stone erected in Memory of Mrs. Elizabeth Richardson wife of Mr Zachariah Richardson; she died Aug. 5, 1807 Aged 65 years."

"Read this & weep, but not for me
Who willing was to part with thee,
That I may rest with Christ above,
In peace & joy and endless love."

Elizabeth (Brooks) Richardson, wife of Zachariah Richardson (epitaph 69), married Dec. 30, 1767. She was born April 22, 1742; daughter of Nathaniel and Submit (Poulter) Brooks, and grand-daughter of Jabez and Hephzibah (Cutter) Brooks (epitaph, First Yard).

(45.) "This Stone erected in Memory of Mr. Joseph Lawrence 2d, who departed this life on the 21 of August, 1807 in the 19 year of his age.

"Remember your creator, God,
Before you feel his chastening rod;
For death will come and stop your breath,
And you must sleep with me in death.
The Lord was pleased mercy to show,
He was resign'd & long'd to go,
When God did call, without a moan
Yielded his breath without a groan."

Joseph Lawrence, 2d, son of Deacon Ebenezer (epitaph 304) and Hannah (Estabrooks) Lawrence (epitaph 226), was born Sept. 23, 1788, in Woburn.

(46) "This Stone erected in Memory of Mr. Ebenezer Lawrence, Jr., Student of Colledge, who suddenly departed this life on the 11 of January, 1808, in the 23 Year of his age.

"O come, my young friends, remmember me,
And let my sudden death a warning be,
Let not the morrow your vain thoughts Employ,
But think this day the last you may enjoy.
Improve your time while you have health,
And now in youth prepare for death,
That I may meet you all above,
And feast on Jesus dying love."

Ebenezer Lawrence, Jr., son of Deacon Ebenezer (epitaph 304) and Hannah (Estabrooks) Lawrence (epitaph 226), born June 5, 1785.

"On January 11, 1808, Ebenezer Lawrence died suddenly, aged 23. He was son of the venerable Deacon Ebenezer Lawrence, long a prominent citizen of the town, and at the time of his death was a student at college. A contemporary writes: 'He had been in a consumptive habit, but kept school that day, and went to bed well as usual. He was found dead about eleven o'clock that evening.'" (From article entitled "Interesting to Woburn — Casualties, 1768-1826," Middlesex *Journal*, July 30, 1870.)

(47.) "This Stone erected in Memory of Mr Nathaniel Lawrence, the last son of Mr. Ebenezer and Mrs. Hannah Lawrence, who departed this life the 22 of January, 1808, in the 17'th year of his age.

"With faith in Christ, this youth did die;
We trust his soul is now on high,
With the redeem'd and blest above,
With Christ, his Saviour and his God
Behold, look here, and weep with us,
All our dear sons sleep in the dust,
But though the flesh to dust are given,
We trust their souls are now in HEAVEN."

Nathaniel Lawrence, "the last son" of Deacon Ebenezer (epitaph 304) and Hannah (Estabrooks) Lawrence (epitaph 226), born in Woburn, July 12, 1791.

(48.) "Sacred to the Memory of Cap Joseph Brown, who died April 16, 1808, Aged 53 years.

"Low in the silent mansions of the grave I lye,
Yet this night shall end when angels hail the morn;
Then shall the soul return & with its dust arise,
When clothed anew with flesh to God it will return,
Here rests the man amidst life's busy scenes,
Who while he lived his active powers displayed;
With friendly habits, and cheerful mind did please,
Then closed life — with calmness met the grave."

(Compare Symmes's Memorial and Sewall's Woburn, 414, 425, 426, 428, 438, 439, 440, 442, 569–581.) Joseph Brown and Ruth Richardson, both of Woburn, were married by Rev. John Marrett, Oct. 24, 1776. Ruth Brown, his wife, was admitted member of the Woburn Church, Oct. 29, 1797. Joseph Brown, son of Joseph Brown, late of Bedford, Mass. (with consent of Stephen Mead, of Bedford, his guardian), apprenticed himself to Josiah Richardson, of Woburn, blacksmith, and to Mary, his wife, to learn the trade of blacksmith, March 3, 1774. The Elijah Leathe lot of papers contains the original indenture.

(49.) "In Memory of two children of Doc't. Francis & Mrs. Sibbil Kittridge; Francis died Sept. 17, 1808, Æt. 11 mos & 11 ds. Francis D. died Sept. 25, 1814, Æt. 22 mo. & 28 days."

Children of Dr. Francis Kittridge (epitaph 158½). The father was admitted member of Woburn First Church, June 1, 1817. The mother was admitted to same, March 4, 1827. Births of these children not on Woburn Records.

(50.) "In Memory of Mrs. Mary McKee, A native of Ireland, wife of Mr. Alexander McKee, who died Oct. 21. 1808, Aged 45 Years."

"I sleep in darkness all the day,
'Till Christ, my Lord shall roll the stone away,
When I shall wake and rise above,
To sing the words of redeeming love."

"Native of Ireland." Divides the honor with Daniel McGinnis, of the seventeenth century, of being one of the earliest natives of that country in Woburn. Her name is not on the First Church catalogue.

(51.) "Sacred to the Memory of Mrs. Elizabeth Johnson, wife of Major Francis Johnson, Who in the midst of life and usefulness, And with prospects most flattering, Was arrested by sudden death, And summoned to the world of spirits. Jan. 15, 1809, Æt 36.

"She was beloved & respected in life,
And in death lamented by all who knew her;
Also, — two infant children who were
Born of her but a short time before her own decease

"Although their bodies here must lie,
By worms to be devoured;
To realms of endless bliss on high,
We trust their spirits soared.
Refrain, my friends, dry up your tears,
Here I must lie till Christ appears,
Therefore be wise by what you see,
Prepare for death and follow me."

Mrs. Elizabeth Johnson, wife of Major Francis Johnson. Francis Johnson, Jr., and Elizabeth Young, both of Woburn, were married Nov. 19, 1800. Elizabeth Young, daughter of William and Elizabeth (Johnson) Young, was born Oct. 31, 1772. William Young and Elizabeth Johnson, both of Woburn, were married June 8, 1769.

Major Francis Johnson married Mehitable Parker, of Woburn, Nov. 8, 1810.

(52.) "In Memory of Mrs Jemima Cummings, who died June 15, 1809, Æt. 56."

Jemima Cummings, widow of Ebenezer (epitaph 112).

(53.) "In Memory of John Eames, 3d, only son & child of John & Polly Eames who died July 23, 1809, Aged 19 Months & 4 days.

"How soon this lovely child has fled,
The pleasing object of our eyes,
To sleep among the silent dead
Till Christ shall bid his dust arise."

John Eames, 3d, only son of John and Polly (Kimball) Eames, was born in Woburn, Dec. 19, 1807. John Eames, Jr., and Polly Kimball (his parents), both of Woburn, were married June 10, 1806.

(54.) "In Memory of Mrs Phebe Richardson widow of Mr. Zachariah Richardson, died August 3, 1809, Æt. 86."

Phebe (Wyman) Richardson, born July 29, 1724; daughter of David and Phebe (Richardson) Wyman (epitaph 150, First Yard); married Zachariah Richardson (epitaph 32), May 10, 1744.

(55.) "In Memory of Mr. Elijah Davis, who died Dec. 7, 1809, Æt. 26."

Elijah Davis (Jr.). Elijah Davis and Phebe Richardson, both of Woburn, married May 11, 1809. Birth not on Woburn Records.

(56.) "In Memory of Mr Luke Johnson, who died 26th June, 1811, Æt. 25."

Luke Johnson (insane), son of Reuben and Kezia, born Sept. 6, 1786.

(57.) "Sacred to the Memory of Miss Patty Parker, Dautr of Mr. Benjamin & Mrs Mehetabel Parker, Who died Nov. 14, 1811, Æt. 22.

"Taught in the school of Christ, with humble mind
She breathed her last, and left the world resigned.
'Tis His to call our relations away,
'Tis ours in sweet submission to obey."

Patty Parker, born in Woburn, June 11, 1789, daughter of Benjamin and Mehitable (Tidd) Parker, who were married in Woburn, May 25, 1779.

(58.) "In Memory of Dea^{n} Obadiah Kendal, who died Nov. 19, 1811, Aged 86 years.

"While holy friendship drops the pious tear,
And mournfull garlands deck the hallowed bier;
Can bounteous heaven a greater Solace give
Than that which whispers, friends departed live."

Deacon Obadiah Kendall, born in Woburn, Sept. 3, 1725, son of Lieut. Samuel (epitaph 200, First Yard) and Elizabeth Kendall (epitaph 117, First Yard); married Elizabeth Miles (epitaph 118, Second Yard); "occupant of the Paternal Mill"; deacon of Woburn First Church from Nov. 24, 1776, to his death, to which church he was admitted member, Sept. 27, 1767. (Church Manual, p. 11, etc.; Sewall's Woburn, 622.)

(59.) "Erected in Memory of Mr John Wyman, Who died Dec. 26, 1811, Æt. 23.

"His early death to many hearts gave pain,
But to him, through Grace, how great the gain."

John Wyman, son of John. Birth not on Woburn Records.

(61.) "Erected In memory of Mr. Bartholomew Richardson, who died June 14, 1812, Æt. 82."

Bartholomew Richardson, born March 25, 1730, son of Jacob and Elizabeth Richardson. (See epitaph 136.)

(62.) "In Memory of Widow Margery Fowle, who died July 1st, 1812, Æt. 82."

Margery Fowle, widow of Josiah Fowle (epitaph 34), *née* Margery Carter, born Aug. 3, 1730. They were married in 1752.

(62½.) "In Memory of Mrs Jerusha wife of Mr Reuben Richardson, who died July 28, 1812, æt. 78."

She was Jerusha Kendall, and was married March 3, 1757; born Feb. 13, 1734-35, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth Kendall, of Woburn. He died 1818 (epitaph 96).

(63.) "Erected In Memory of Col. Abijah Wheeler, who died Dec. 28, 1812, Æt. 66."

Col. Abijah Wheeler, of Temple, N. H., and Catherine Wyman, of Woburn, were married May 3, 1798. Col. Wheeler was a leading man of Temple, N. H., where, in 1781, he was one of the building committee of a new meeting-house; and May 31, 1784, married Hephzibah, daughter of Gen. Francis Blood, of that town; was styled captain in 1789, major, 1795, and colonel in 1798; tithing-man, 1788; representative, 1794. (*Vide* Blood's History, Temple, N. H., 31, 143, 205, etc, etc.)

(64.) "Erected in Memory of Mr. John Eames, who died June 30, 1813, Æt. 60."

John Eames, died June 30, 1813, aged 60 years; married Abigail Thompson, 1799, daughter of Samuel Thompson, Esq., and Abigail (Tidd) Thompson; born Dec. 29, 1755; died May 13, 1835. He was born Oct. 25, 1746; son of Caleb and Sarah (Simonds) Eames. (Sewall's Woburn, 610.)

(65.) "Sacred to the Memory of Mr Daniel Reed, who died May 27, 1814 Æt. 81."

Daniel Reed, born Feb. 19, 1732 (Charlestown Records), son of Daniel and Mary (Converse) Reed, of Charlestown (History of Reed Family, 75); married wife Abigail (epitaph 106). Daniel Reed, Jr, and Abigail Reed, his wife, were admitted members of First Church, Woburn, Aug. 29, 1756.

(66.) "In Memory of Widow Phebe Tay, who died June 29, 1814, Æt. 67."

Phebe (Locke) Tay, widow of Aaron Tay, of Woburn, who died Dec. 15, 1794, aged 45. They were married in Woburn, Oct. 4, 1770 She was daughter of Jonathan and Phebe (Peirce) Locke, of Woburn, where she was born March 1, 1747–48. Her husband, Aaron Tay, was son of Lieut William and Abigail (Jones) Tay (epitaph 248, First Yard). (*Vide* Book of Lockes, p. 70, etc.)

(67.) "In Memory of two children of Mr Oliver & Mrs. Joanna Tay; Oliver Warren, died Aug. 17, 1814, Aged 1 year & 4 mo. Their Infant Son died Oct 25, 1814.

"Sweet babes, enjoy your pleasant rest,
Your early call God saw was best;
We'll all wipe our tears, our eyes be dry,
And learn from you that all must die."

Oliver Tay and Joanna Cummings, both of Woburn, were married Sept. 13, 1812. Births of above children not on Woburn Record.

(68.) "Erected in Memory of Richard Gardner, son of Mr. Samuel & Mrs. Catherine Gardner, of Charlestown, who died Oct. 20, 1814, Æt. 8 years & 2 days."

Richard Gardner, son of Samuel and Catherine (Richardson) Gardner, of Charlestown. They were married in Woburn, May 26, 1799 The son above was born in Charlestown, Oct. 18, 1806. (Wyman's Charlestown, 400.)

(69.) "In Memory of Mr Zachariah Richardson, who died Dec. 17, 1814, Aged 70 years.

"So sleep the saints and cease to groan,
When Sin and death have done their worst,
Christ hath a glory like his own,
Which waits to clothe their waking dust."

Zachariah Richardson, born April 1 1745; son of Zachariah (epitaph 32) and Phebe (Wyman) Richardson (epitaph 54); married Elizabeth Brooks (epitaph 44).

(70.) [Broken.] "In Memory of Henry, son of Mr Amo[s],
Newton [and] Sally, his wif[e,]
2. — 1815,
5 — weeks.
nger, pause awhile,
read the following lines,
* * * * * * * *
"There rest in peace, my only babe,
Here sleep in sweet repose;
And though thou moulder in the dust,
Thou art sweeter than the rose."

Read "Henry child of Amos Newton, 6 weeks old, Feb. 2, 1815."
Henry Newton, son of Amos, aged 6 weeks; died Feb. 2, 1815. (Town Records.) Amos Newton and Sarah Swan, both of Woburn, married Nov. 26, 1805. Birth of above son not on Woburn Record.

(71.) "In Memory of Mrs. Phebe Foster, wife of William Foster, who died Feb. 12th, 1815, Æt. 42."

William Foster was a housewright. He died in 1824, leaving no widow, no father, nor children, and his mother, Hannah Russell, declined administration on his estate, which was insolvent. He is said to have built what is now known as the Dr. Graves house, on Pleasant Street. It is not known who his wife was.

(72.) "In Memory of twin children of Mr. Christopher P. & Mrs Nancy Hosmer; Charles died Feb. 16, 1815, Aged 8 days, Roswell T. died March 17, 1816, Aged 13 Months."

Children of Christopher P. and Nancy (Thompson) Hosmer. C. P. Hosmer, of Bedford, and Nancy Thompson, Woburn, married Feb. 27, 1812. Charles Hosmer (twin of above) and Roswell T. (twin) were born in Woburn Feb. 8, 1815. (See epitaph 122.)

(73.) "Abigail T., Daughter of Mr. John and Mrs. Polly Eames died June 9, 1815 Aged 1 year & 8 days"

Abigail T. Eames, daughter of John and Polly (Kimball) Eames, was born in Woburn June 1, 1814. Abigail T. (Abigail Thompson). (Town Record; see epitaph 53.)

(74.) "Erected to the Memory of Deacon Juduthun Richardson, who died Oct.r 11th, 1815, Aged 78 Years.

"He came to his Grave in full age,
Like as a shock of corn cometh in in its season."

Deacon Jeduthun Richardson, son of Thomas and Mary (Russell) Richardson, born April 16, 1738; married Mary Wright (epitaph 108). Deacon from 1796 to his death.

(75.) [A marble slab.] "This marble covers the earthly remains of Mrs. Betsey Wife of Rev. Joseph Chickering who died Nov: 3d A. D. 1815 in the 32d year of her age, also of three children who died at nearly the same time their mother, Elizabeth, an infant of 2 days died Oct. 19; Ruth, aged 3 years & 4 months died Oct. 27. Henry died Nov. 14, aged 20 months."

Betsey (White) Chickering, daughter of Deacon John White of Concord, and first wife of Rev Joseph Chickering (H. U. 1799), a native of Dedham, and the pastor of the First Church, Woburn, from 1804 to 1821. He died in Phillipston, Mass., Jan. 27, 1844, aged 63. Parents of the well-known temperance advocate and clergyman, the late Rev. John White Chickering, D. D., a native of Woburn, born March 19, 1808. His brother, Joseph Chickering, was born in Woburn, Jan. 9, 1810. (Records.) Betsey Chickering (Mrs. Rev. J.) admitted to First Church, Woburn, May 22, 1806. Sarah A. Chickering (Mrs. Rev. Joseph), second wife, admitted First Church, Woburn, Sept. 21, 1817. His second wife was Sarah Abbott Holt, of Albany, Me. (*Vide* Sewall's History Woburn, 461, etc.)

The original of the following communication in the stately round hand of the Rev. Ezra Ripley, of Concord, is in our present possession: —

"The Church of Christ in Concord to the Church of Christ in Woburn sendeth greeting: —

"Rev. & Beloved, This certifies that Betsey Chickering (late Betsey White) was admitted a member in full communion in this church. on the 27th of Dec^r 1801, and has ever since walked agreeably to her Christian profession. At her request, and by vote of the church this day, she is now absolved from her particular relation to this church, and is hereby cordially recommended to your Christian charity and communion.

"Praying that grace, mercy & peace may be multiplied to you, & requesting your prayers for us, we subscribe ourselves your brethren in the faith & fellowship of the gospel,

"Concord, May 4, 1806.
Rev. Jos'h Chickering
To be communicated.

EZRA RIPLEY
Pastor in the name & behalf of the church."

Addressed: "Rev. Joseph Chickering, *Woburn.*"

Mr. J. White endorsed: "Betsey Chickering's Dismission from the Church in Concord & Recommendation, May 4, 1806."

The births of the above Chickering children are not on Woburn Record. The order of the procession at the funeral of Mrs. Chickering has been preserved.

(75½.) "Erected In memory of Mrs. Mary Fowle, wife of Mr. Benjamin Fowle, who died Dec. 11, 1815, Æt. 54"

She was the second wife of Benjamin Fowle, and was daughter of Paul and Lucy Wyman, being born Sept. 10, 1761. (See epitaph 292)

(76.) "Erected in Memory of Mrs. Abigail Munroe wife of Mr. Jonas Munroe, who died Dec. 25, 1815. Æt. 42.

"Death is the messenger of peace,
That calls the righteous soul to heaven."

Abigail Munroe, wife of Jonas Munroe. Jonas Munroe and Abigail Tay, both of Woburn, married Feb. 23, 1795. Abigail Tay, daughter of William, 3d, and Hannah Tay, born March 12, 1774.

(77.) "Erected in Memory of Catherine Fox Gardner, Dau. of Mr. Samuel & Mrs. Catherine Gardner of Charlestown who died suddenly with the measles March 23, 1816 Æt. 16 years & 7 days."

Catherine Fox Gardner, daughter of Samuel and Catherine (Fox-Richardson) Gardner of Charlestown; married May 26, 1799; born in Charlestown, March 16, 1800. (Wyman's Charlestown, 400.)

(78.) "In Memory of Mr. Thomas Fox who died May 7, 1816 Æt. 76.

"Be ye also ready, for at such an hour
As you think not the Son of Man cometh."

Thomas Fox, son of Jonathan and Ruth (Carter) Fox, born in Woburn, Dec. 16, 1739.

(79.) "In Memory of Mrs. Abigail Pierce, wife of Jacob Pierce, who died May 28, 1816, Æt. 86.

"An angel can't snatch me from the grave,
Legions of angels can't confine me here."

Abigail Pierce, wife of Jacob, was daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth Kendall, born Feb. 27, 1731.

(80.) "In Memory of Mr. Barnabas Richardson, who died June 5, 1816, Æt. 82."

Barnabas Richardson married Rebecca Tidd; son of Edward and Jerusha Richardson, born March 16, 1734.

(81.) "In Memory of John Fisk, Jr. son of John Fisk, Who died Sept. 22, 1816, Aged 5 Years.

"No prayers, nor tears, nor sighs, could save
This lovely Infant from the grave."

John Fisk, Jr., son of John. John Fisk, of Lexington, and Lydia Pierce, of Woburn, were married July 20, 1809. Birth of this child is not on Woburn Record.

(82.) "In memory of Mrs. Martha Knights, wife of Mr. John Knights who died April 10. 1817, Aged 49 Years."

Martha Knight, wife of John, was daughter of Capt. Tucker, and was born either in Newburyport or Newbury.

(83.) "Charles R., Son of Mr. Christopher P. & Mrs. Nancy Hosmer, died May 9, 1817, Æt. 7 mos. 10 ds."

Charles R. Hosmer, son of Mr. Christopher P. and Nancy (Thompson) Hosmer, who were married Feb. 27, 1812 (see epitaphs 72 and 122), was born in Woburn, Oct. 1, 1816.

(84.) "Samuel son of Mr Stephen & Mrs Susan Eames, Died June 28, 1817, Æt. 16 months."

Samuel Eames, son of Stephen and Susanna Eames, born in Woburn, Feb. 26, 1816. Stephen Eames and Susanna Barnard, both of Woburn, married May 30, 1813.

(85.) "In Memory of Mrs. Arethusa Fox, wife of Mr. William Fox, who died July 20, 1817, aged 44."

"Departing friends, dry up your tears,
I must lay here till Christ appears."

Arethusa Fox, wife of William, was a daughter of Nathan and Elizabeth Munroe, of Lexington, and was born there March 10, 1773. She married William Fox, June 20, 1793.

(86.) "Abigail T. Daughter of Mr. John & Mrs. Polly Eames died July 23. 1817 Æt. 14 months."

"Of dysentery." Abigail T. (Thompson) Eames, daughter of Capt. John and Polly (Kimball) Eames, born in Woburn, May 9, 1816. Parents married June 10, 1806.

(87.) "Erected In Memory of Mr. Samuel Ames, who died Aug. 31. 1817, in the 38 year of his age.

"Farewell, my wife, whom I do love,
Thy better husband is above;
Farewell, my children, near and dear,
May Jesus for your help appear;
And be your father, kind and just,
When I am rotten in the dust.

"Erected by his daughter, Eliza Ames."

Samuel Eames, son of Jacob and Esther, born in Woburn, March 4, 1780. Samuel Eames and Elizabeth Tay, both of Woburn, were married May 30, 1805. Eliza Eames, daughter of Samuel and Betsey, was born in Woburn, May 12, 1806.

(88.) "In Memory of Mr. Jeremiah Clapp, who died Nov 11, 1817, aged 55 years."

"Mr. Jeremiah Clapp," styled "Major" in 1792 (see epitaph 2). also in 1798 (Sewall's Woburn, 424. etc.); an active member of the First Parish and town of Woburn at the beginning of the present century. His wife, Polly, died 1792 (epitaph 2). (See account of the disastrous fall of his house frame, July 14, 1807, under note to epitaph 43.)

(89.) "In Memory of Mr Edward Gardner, of Charlestown, who died Nov. 12. 1817, in the 27th year of his age."

Edward Gardner, of Charlestown, born in Charlestown, June 6, 1791; son of Edward and Mehitable (Blodget) Gardner. (Wyman's Charlestown, 399, 400; Cutter's Arlington, 251.)

(90.) [Broken.] "In Memory of Mrs. Anna Wyman, wife of Mr. Marshall Wyman, who died March 31. 1818. Æt. 24.

"Also their infant son who was born and died March 20 1818.

"For Death has struck his sure unerring blow,
Their race is run, and time's to them no more."

Anna Wyman, wife of Marshall. Marshall Wyman and Anna Wyman, both of Woburn, married April 17, 1817. She was daughter of Samuel E. and Anna Wyman, and born Jan. 21, 1793.

(91.) "Erected in memory of Miss Mary Carter, who died April 9. 1818, Æt. 85."

Mary Carter, maiden lady, was daughter of Thomas and Hannah Carter; born Feb. 5, 1733. Dinah, servant to Mary Carter, died Jan. 5, 1803 (old age). Mary Carter was sister of Mrs. Hannah Brewster (epitaph 13), and a lineal descendant of the Rev. Thomas Carter, first minister of Woburn; lived in and owned the home place of her ancestors, now the estate of the late Mrs. Littlefield, near Woburn Common.

(92.) "In Memory of James Fowle, Son of William & Sarah Fowle, who departed this life June 1. 1818, Aged 19."

James Fowle, son of William and Sarah (Richardson) Fowle, born April 19, 1799. Parents, both of Woburn, were married Nov. 7, 1782.

(93.) "Erected in memory of Mrs Lucy Richardson, wife of Mr. Stephen Richardson who died June 16. 1818, Æt. 28."

Lucy Richardson, first wife of Stephen, Jr., *née* Lucy Kendall, daughter of John Kendall. Her birth is not on Woburn Record. His second wife was Almira Kendall, also daughter of John Kendall. Deacon Stephen Richardson died in Woburn, Dec. 26, 1872.

(94.) "Erected in memory of Mrs. Mary W. Kendall, wife of Mr. Josiah Kendall, who died June 19, 1818, Æt. 20"

Mary W. (Russell) Kendall, wife of Josiah Kendall (epitaph 99). "Josiah Kendall, of Woburn, and Mary W. Russell, of West Cambridge," were married March 25, 1817. She was born in the present town of Arlington, and baptized there April 1, 1798. (Cutter's Arlington, 296.)

(95.) "Erected to the memory of Mrs Esther, wife of Samuel Thompson, Esq., who died Aug. 5, 1818, Æt, 80."

Esther (Burbeen-Wyman) Thompson, wife of Samuel Thompson, Esq. (epitaph 105), died of old age and dropsy, Aug. 5, 1818, aged 80. She was the third wife of Esquire Thompson, and married Oct. 22, 1789; no children; was widow of Jesse Wyman; married May 1, 1760. She was the daughter of Rev. Joseph Burbeen, and born May 29, 1738. (Sewall's Woburn, 596, 645.)

(96.) "In Memory of Mr Reuben Richardson, who died Nov. 16, 1818. Aged 89."

Reuben Richardson, son of Reuben and Esther (Wyman) Richardson, born Dec. 22, 1731, in Woburn; married Jerusha Kendall, who died 1812 (epitaph 62½); was a blacksmith and farmer; lived in Stoneham from early childhood till 1766; afterwards resided in Woburn till his death.

(97.) "Sacred to the memory of Mr William Symmes, who died Jan. 1, 1819, Æt. 61.

"Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord."

William Symmes, son of Zachariah and Judith, born in Woburn, Sept. 1, 1757. (Vinton's Symmes Memorial, 53.)

(98.) "Erected in memory of Deac Jacob Richardson who died suddenly, March 17, 1819, Æt. 56.

"Therefore be ye also ready;
Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord."

Deacon Jacob Richardson, son of Jacob and Judith Richardson, born July 23, 1763. (See Woburn Sudden Deaths; also Woburn Military History. See epitaph 332.)

(99.) "Erected In Memory of Mr. Josiah Kendall, who died July 1, 1819, Æt. 30"

Josiah Kendall, born March 30, 1789; son of Obadiah (epitaph 288) and Sarah (Johnson) Kendall (epitaph 313); married Mary W. Russell (epitaph 94).

(100.) "Erected in memory of Mr. John Gardner, of Charlestown, who died Jan. 1, 1820, Æt. 75."

"John Gardner, of Charlestown, member of the Woburn Church." (Town Records) John Gardner, son of Henry and Lucy; born in Woburn, March 3, 1744. His wife was Patience Wyman; married 1770; died 1824 (epitaph 133). His mother was Lucy Fowle. (Compare Wyman's Charlestown, 399, 400.)

(101.) "Sacred to the Memory of Mrs. Phebe Richardson, wife of Mr. Junius Richardson, who died May 28, 1820, Æt. 46.

"Short, yet how pleasing, was her visit here;
She's now removed to grace a nobler sphere,
* * * * * * * * *
There remaineth, therefore,
a rest for the people of God."

Phebe Richardson, *née* Tay, first wife of Junius Richardson, was married April 18, 1793.

(103.) "Erected in Memory of Mary Ann Oystead, Dau. of Capt. John & Mrs. Lucy Oystead, who died June 18, 1820, Aged 1 yr & 2 mos.

"Friends, nor physicians, could not save
This mortal body from the Grave;
Nor can the grave confine it here,
When Christ, my Saviour, shall appear."

Mary Ann Oystead (birth not on Woburn Record), daughter of Capt. John and Lucy (Tay) Oystead. "John Oystead, of Boston, and Lucy Tay, of Woburn," were married July 1, 1806. Mrs. Lucy Oystead married, Dec. 30, 1822, Robert Eames. (See epitaph 138.)

(104.) "Erected in memory of Mrs. Hannah Converse, wife of Mr. Jacob Converse, died suddenly, July 13, 1820, Æt. 41.

"Therefore, be ye also ready, for
in such an hour as ye think
not, the Son of man cometh."

Hannah Converse, wife of Jacob, *née* Hannah Bryant, is believed to have been born in Ipswich. Her brother, Deacon Aaron Bryant, lived and died in Wakefield. They had eight children.

(105.) "Sacred to the memory of Samuel Thompson, Esq., who died Aug. 17. 1820, Æt LXXXIX.

"And the fruit of righteousness is sown
in peace of them that make peace."

Samuel Thompson, Esq., son of Samuel and Ruth (Wright) Thompson, born Oct. 30, 1731; married (1) Abigail Tidd, May 15, 1755. She died Sept. 2, 1768, aged 35. (See epitaph 212, First Yard.) (2) Lydia Jones, of Concord, Feb. 26, 1770; she died Oct. 19. 1788 (epitaph First Yard), aged 54. (3) Widow Esther Wyman, Oct. 22, 1789, died Aug. 5, 1818, aged 80 years (epitaph 95). He was an esquire and deacon, a very prominent citizen.

(106.) "Sacred to the memory of Mrs Abigail Reed, wife of Mr. Daniel Reed, who died Oct. 15, 1820, Æt. 87."

Abigail Reed, wife of Daniel Reed (epitaph 65). (See Wyman's Charlestown, 803, and Miss Carleton's Reeds and Winns, pp. 10, 11.) Daniel Reed and Abigail Simonds, daughter of Lieut. James and Mary (Fowle) Simonds, were married March 9, 1754.

(107.) "Erected In memory of Maj. Abijah Thompson who died Oct. 27, 1820, Æt. 52.

"Behold you all that now pass by,
As you are now so once was I;
As I am now so you must be,
Prepare for death, and follow me."

Major Abijah Thompson, son of Abijah (epitaph 110) and Abigail (Wyman) Thompson, second wife, born Oct. 24, 1768, and died as above. He married (1) Lydia Mead, 1790 (epitaph 33); (2) Widow Lydia Bradford, March 10 1809 (epitaph 280); father of the late Gen. Abijah Thompson, of Woburn.

(108.) "Sacred to the Memory of Mrs. Mary Richardson, Relict of Deacon Juduthun Richardson, who died Nov. 4th 1820, Aged 80 Years."

Mary Richardson, relict of Deacon Jeduthun Richardson (epitaph 74), *née* Mary Wright, daughter of John and Mary (Locke) Wright, born Jan. 29, 1741. (N. E. Hist. Gen. Reg., XXXVII., 80.)

(109.) "Erected in memory of Mrs. Sally Holden, wife of Mr. William Holden, Jr., who died sudden, Jan. 30, 1821, Æt. 26.

"The Memory of the just shall live.

"Also Sally Tay, child of William & Sally Holden, died May 13th 1824, Æt. 3 years & 7 weeks."

Sally (Tay) Holden, wife of William, Jr., and daughter of John and Sarah (Cutter) Tay, born Jan. 29, 1795. The child was born Jan. 25, 1821.

(110.) "In Memory of Mrs. Sarah Thompson wife of Mr. Abijah Thompson who died March 22, 1821, Æt. 66, and In Memory of Mr Abijah Thompson who died Jan. 16, 1811, Æt. 72."

Sarah, the third wife of Abijah Thompson, *née* Sarah Stanley (see note to epitaph 122); Abijah Thompson, sheriff, died of apoplexy; was born April 11, 1739, and was son of Samuel and Ruth (Wright) Thompson, and brother of Samuel Thompson, Esq. (epitaph 105) He married (1) Esther Snow, Dec. 13, 1759, died 1761 (epitaph, First Yard); (2) Abigail Wyman, 1762, died 1778; (3) Widow Sarah (Stanley) Burtt, of Tewksbury, *supra* (marriage intention dated July 16, 1779). He was father, by his last wife, of the late Deacon Charles Thompson, of North Woburn.

(111.) "Erected In memory of Mr. Jonathan W. Fowle, who died May 1, 1821, Æt. 31."

Jonathan W. Fowle, son of Benjamin and Mary (Wyman) Fowle. (Compare note in Johnson's Woburn Births, 98. See epitaph 292.)

(112.) "Erected In memory of Ebenezer Cummings; who died June 4, 1821; Æt 73."

In 1850, John A. Boutelle prepared the following family register of Deacon John Cummings, son of Ebenezer Cummings: —

I. Isaac Cummings, the family ancestor, said to be of Scottish origin, was of Topsfield. In April, 1652 [1662], he had land deeded to him by Samuel Simonds situated near the line of Ipswich Isaac Cummings deeded land to his son-in-law John Jewett, April 24, 1662. In his will, dated May 8, 1677, he mentions his son-in-law John Jewett, his son-in-law John Pease, his son Isaac, his grandson Isaac (son of his son Isaac), and appoints his son John sole executor.

His issue were: (1) *Isaac*, mar. Mary Andrews, Nov. 29, 1659, and d. Oct. 12; (2) *Elizabeth*, mar. John Jewett; (3) *Ann*, mar. John Pease, October, 1659; (4) *John*, mar. Sarah ——.

II. Isaac Cummings, deacon, of Topsfield, in his will mentions his sons Isaac and John, his daughters Abigail and Rebecca Howlet, and left property to his son Samuel, if he should live to come home. Isaac Cummings by his wife Mary had issue: (1) *infant*, b. Aug. 28, 1660, d. Aug. 28, 1660; (2) *infant*, b. Dec. 6, 1662, d. Dec. 6, 1662; (3) *Isaac*, b. Sept. 15, 1664, mar. 1st, Alace Howlett, Dec. 25, 1688, 2d, Frances Sherwin, Nov. 23, 1696; he d. Oct. 12, 1761; (4) *John*, b. June 7, 1666, mar. Susannah Towne, Jan. 23, 1688; (5) *Thomas*, b. May 14, 1670, mar. Elizabeth Parker, March 20, 1705; (6) *Mary*, b. Feb. 16, 1671; (7) *Abigail*, b. ——, mar. Samuel Perley, of Ipswich, March 28, 1694; (8) *Rebecca*, b. April 1, 1674, mar. Thomas Howlett, Jan. 13, 1696; (9) *Stevens*, b. Feb. 27, 1680, d. by the hands of the Indians, July 3, 1706; (10) *Samuel*.

III. John by his wife Susannah had issue: (1) *Joseph*, b. Jan. 26, 1689, mar. Sarah Esty, Dec. 1, 1714(?); (2) *John*, b. July 17, 1692; (3) *Isaac*, b. Dec. 25, 1695; (4) *David*, b. April 15, 1698, mar. Anna —— Sarah ——; (5) *Mary*, b. May 15, 1701; (6) *Susannah*, b. Jan. 3, 1702, mar. Jonathan Whipple, Feb. 4, 1721; (7) *Stevens*, b. May 3, 1706; (8) *Samuel*, b. Feb. 14, 1708, mar. Susannah Wood, Nov. 7, 1733; (9) *Rebecca*, b. Nov. 7, 1713, mar. Thomas Perkins, Feb. 2, 1732.

IV. David Cummings in his will mentions his mother, Susannah. He had six children by his first wife and six by his last wife. By his wife Anna he had issue: (1) *David*, b. March 26, 1729, mar. Joanna Jones, and resided and died in Woburn; (2) *Jonathan*, b. March 19, 1730, d. April 5, 1731; (3) *Samuel*, b. Feb. 28, 1732, mar. Eunice Bradstreet, Aug. 25, 1756, and resided and died in Topsfield, March 29, 1796; (4) *Anna*, b. October, 1734, mar. Moses Perkins, April 11, 1754; (5) *Susannah*, b. May 8, 1737; (6) *Elizabeth*, b. September, 1739, d. Feb. 13, 1741. By his wife Sarah, David Cummings had issue: (1) *Jonathan*, b. Oct. 14, 1743; he resided and died in Andover; (2) *Stephen*, b. Jan. 27, 1745; (3) *Elizabeth*, b. Jan. 19, 1747, d. Feb. 14, 1747; (4) *Daniel*, b. Aug. 30, 1749; (5) *Elizabeth*, baptized Sept. 22, 1751; (6) *Archelaus*, baptized July 12, 1752.

V. David Cummings married for his first wife Joanna Jones, who died Oct. 10, 1794, aged 65; for his second, Chloe Herrington, of Lexington, April 16, 1795. He moved to Woburn and had issue: (1) *Elizabeth*, b. Sept. 19, 1747; (2) *Ebenezer*, b. Sept. 21, 1749, mar. first Jemima Hartwell of Bedford, second Lydia Tay, Nov. 29, 1810; he died in 1821; (3) *David*; (4) *Stephen*, mar. Mary Coburn, Jan. 22, 1795, d. April 12, 1804; (5) *Betsey*, mar. Josiah Hall, of Cambridge, Aug. 31, 1773; (6) *Phebe*, b. May 26, 1756, mar. Jonathan Simonds, Dec. 13, 1781; (7) *Joanna*, mar. Jonas Brooks, of Athol, Nov. 19, 1771; (8) *Sarah*, mar. Aaron Winchester, of Brookline, April 22, 1787; (9) *Susannah*, mar. Calvin Moore; (10) *Abigail*, b. April 26, 1763, mar. Caleb Simonds, Jan. 2, 1783; (11) *Mary*, b. April 28, 1768, mar. Uriah Goodwin, March 20, 1788; (12) *Samuel*, b. Aug. 12, 1773, mar. Avis Pierce, Dec. 29, 1795; (13) *Ruth*, mar. John Lovering, of Waltham, April 9, 1795.

VI. Ebenezer Cummings by his wife Jemima had issue: (1) *Ebenezer*, b. Nov. 18, 1775, mar. Ruth Skilton, Nov. 6, 1804, d. Jan. 12, 1845; (2) *Jemima*, b. June 28, 1777, mar. Zadok Rogers, of Tewksbury, Dec. 5, 1805; (3) *Joseph*, b. Dec. 6, 1779, mar. Martha Priest, of Concord; (4) *Phebe*, b. Sept. 8, 1781, mar. Thomas Evans, July, 15, 1802; (5) *Lydia*, b. April 3, 1783, mar. Daniel Goodhue; (6) *John*, b. Feb. 26, 1785, mar. Marcia Richardson, May 2, 1811; (7) *David*, b. Dec. 3, 1786, mar. Hannah Vinton; (8)

Hannah, b. Dec. 24, 1788, mar. Ezekiel Johnson, Jan. 10. 1815; (9) *Joshua*, b. Dec. 7, 1790, mar. Desire Hartwell Richardson. May 16. 1813;* (10) *Ruth*, b. Nov. 12, 1792; (11) *Samuel*, b. Dec. 8, 1 94, mar. Joanna Simonds; (12) *Daniel*, b. Jan. 7 1797, mar. Abigail Wright, June 1, 1817; (13) *Moses*. b. Oct 15, 1800, mar. Harriet Cutler. By his wife Lydia, Ebenezer Cummings had issue: (1) *Susan*, b. Oct. 3, 1811, d. unmarried, Sept. 8, 1837; (2) *Stephen*, b. March 7, 1814.

VII. John Cummings, by his wife Marcia, had issue: (1) *John*, b. Oct. 19, 1812, mar. Sarah Phillips:† (2) *Nancy*, b. Dec. 16, 1814, mar. Jonathan B. Winn; (3) *Cyrus*, b. Sept. 21, 1817, mar. Sarah Shedd.

(113.) "Erected In Memory of Mrs. Jerusha Richardson, wife of Mr. Bartholomew Richardson, Jr., who died Oct 10, 1821, Æt. 26.

"Farewell my husband and my friends,
Although it rends my heart,
I trust we all shall meet on high,
Where we shall never part."

Jerusha Richardson, *née* Wyman, wife of Bartholomew Richardson Jr., was married June 13, 1816. She was daughter of Jesse and Susanna (Richardson) Wyman, and was born in Woburn, Jan. 31, 1796.

(114.) "Erected in memory of Ez a W. Reed, Son of Mr Ezra W. & Mrs. Fanny Reed, who died December 1, 1821. Æt. 5 years & 7 days."

Ezra W. Reed, son of Ezra and Fanny (Fowle) Reed. Birth not on Woburn Record. Parents, both of Woburn, married Oct. 27, 1814.

(115) "Mrs Sarah wife of Edward Richardson, died December 25, 1821, Æt. 79.

"Erected by Job Richardson."

Sarah Richardson, wife of Edward Richardson, daughter of Samuel and Phebe (Sawyer) Tidd born Nov. 8, 1743. (See epitaph 250.)

(116.) "In Memory of Rosina Gambald, only daughter of Mr. Hezekiah J. & Mrs. Sally Persons, who died May 14. 1822. Aged 14 months & 14 days.

"So fades the lovely, blooming flower."

Rosina Gambald Persons daughter of Hezekiah J. and Sally (Richardson) Persons, born March 10, 1821. Parents, both of Woburn, married July 2, 1818.

(117.) "Erected In Memory of Mrs. Susan Tidd, wife of Capt. John Tidd, who died Aug. 26, 1822, Æt. 27.

"Farewell my babe and husband dear,
I leave you in God's care,
'Till we shall meet in worlds above,
To dwell forever there."

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* Parents of Henry Cummings and grandparents of William H. Cummings.
† Hon. John Cummings married, second, Mrs. Mary (Cowles) Hall.

Susan Tidd, daughter of Deacon Thaddeus Davis (epitaph 182), born Sept. 18, 1795, first wife of Capt. John Tidd (see note to epitaph 243.) John Davis Tidd, son of Capt. John and Susan Tidd, born July 29, 1822.

(118.) "Erected In Memory of Mrs. Elizabeth Kendall, wife of Dea. Obadiah Kendall, who died Oct. 3, 1822, Æt. 86."

Elizabeth (Miles) Kendall, wife of Deacon Obadiah Kendall (epitaph 58). "Obadiah Kendall of Woburn," and "Elizabeth Miles of Concord," were married in Lexington, Jan. 27, 1756.

(119.) "In memory of Widow Keziah Johnson who died Oct. 23, 1822, Æt. 75.

"Farewell to those dear children of mine
Happy in Christ, to death resign'd
Waste not an idle tear on me
Thou parent of immortality
Your time is short, you'v none to spare
O for eternity prepare."

Keziah Johnson, widow of Reuben Johnson, was a daughter of Zebadiah and Abigail (Pierce) Wyman, and was born April 8, 1748. She married Ruel Baldwin, Oct. 4, 1769, and Reuben Johnson, Aug. 5, 1777.

(120.) "In Memory of William Symmes, Son of Zachariah Symmes, and Nancy, his wife, who died October 27, 1822, Æ. 3 y's, 9 m's & 4 d.

"This lovely babe, so young & fair,
Called hence by early doom,
Just come to show how sweet a flower,
In paradise could bloom."

William Symmes, son of Zachariah, 2d, and Nancy (Richardson) Symmes, born Jan. 31, 1819. Parents, both of Woburn, married March 28, 1809. (Vinton's Symmes Memorial, p. 78.)

(121.) "In memory of Lydia Thompson, Daug. of Maj. Abijah & Mrs. Lydia Thompson; who died Nov. 25, 1822: Æt. 12 ys. 10 mo. & 9 days.

"Lord what is life? 'tis like a flower
That blossoms and is gone; we see
it flourish for an hour with
all its beauty on: but death
Comes like a wintry
day, and cuts
the pretty
flower
away."

Lydia Jaquith Thompson, daughter of Major Abijah and Mrs. Lydia (Jaquith-Bradford) Thompson (epitaphs 107 and 280), born Jan. 16, 1810.

(122.) "Abijah T., Son of Mr. Christopher P. & Mrs. Nancy Hosmer, died Feb. 20, 1823: Æt. 7 mo. & 9 ds."

Abijah T. Hosmer, son of Christopher P. and Nancy (Thompson) Hosmer, born July 10, 1822. Parents married Feb. 27, 1812 (see epitaph 72). The mother, Nancy (Thompson) Hosmer, was born June 3, 1790; died Sept. 28. 1850; was the youngest daughter and child of Abijah (epitaph 110) and Sarah (Burtt) Thompson (epitaph 110).

(123.) "Erected In memory of Mrs. Rachel Lawrence, widow of Mr. Jonathan Lawrence, who died April 21, 1823, Æt. 93."

Rachel (Wright) Lawrence, widow of Jonathan Lawrence (epitaph 3), daughter of Joseph and Rachel (Brooks) Wright, and born in Woburn, Feb. 8, 1730–31. Her mother died in Woburn, a widow, June 21, 1750. (*Vide* epitaph 148, First Yard.)

(124.) "In memory of Mrs Sarah, wife of Mr. Andrew Evans, who died April 22, 1823, Æt. 82."

Sarah (Center) Evans, wife of Andrew Evans (epitaph 19), married Nov. 25, 1760, in Woburn. Sarah Evans (Mrs. Andrew, Jr.) admitted member of Woburn Church, Nov. 2, 1766. (Church Manual, p. 11.)

(125.) "Erected In memory of Mr. Josiah Winn Coburn, of Goffstown N. H. who died in this town, Sept. 25, 1823: Æt. 24.

"Death with his dart has pierced my heart,
When I was in my prime;
When this you see grieve not for me,
It was God's appointed time.
So depart, my friends dry your tears,
I must lie here 'till Christ appears."

(126.) "Charlotte, Daug. of Mr. Horatio & Mrs. Charlotte Symmes died Oct. 16, 1823: Æt. 2 ys & 6 mo."

"Lie still dear child and take thy rest,
For Jesus call'd when he saw best."

Charlotte Symmes, daughter of Horatio and Charlotte (Johnson) Symmes, born April, 1822. (Vinton's Symmes Memorial, p. 81.) Parents, both of Woburn, married Nov. 11, 1819. The birth of the above child is not on Woburn Record.

(127.) "In Memory of Sarah Converse, who died June 24., 1824: in the 73, year of her age."

Sarah Converse, widow of Benjamin (see epitaph 128), daughter of Thomas and Patience Wright; born July 18, 1748; married Benjamin Converse, Aug. 6, 1772. He died in 1824 (epitaph 128).

(128.) "In Memory of Mr. Benjamin Converse who died March 6th 1824: In the 93 year of his age."

Benjamin Converse (Winchester Centre) married Sarah Wright, who died 1824 (epitaph 127); son of Ebenezer and Ruth; born Oct. 14, 1732.

(129.) "Ellis Hobert Violl, Adopted Son of Mr Ellis and Mrs Hannah G. Violl, of Charlestown, died March 25, 1824; Æt. 3 ys. & 7 mo."

Violo or Violi, commonly Viall; Ellis Viall, the father, died 1826 (epitaph 149). (*Cf.* Wyman's Charlestown, 981.)

(130.) "*Hic Jacet* Samson Silsby, born in Boston, on the 12th May, 1748, And died there the 18th May 1824, Aged 76 years & 6 days."

"This Stone was erected by his son, Enoch Silsby of Boston."

Samson Silsby. The inscription seems to be sufficiently explicit to show that he was born and that he died in Boston, but why he should be buried here is not stated.

(131.) "In Memory of Mr Samuel Pierce who died May 20, 1824 in the 60 year of his age."

Samuel Pierce, son of Jacob and Abigail, born Aug. 7, 1764.

(132.) "In memory of Mr. John Snow, who died Aug. 31, 1824: Æt 26.

"Dear friends think of your mortal state,
How frail your lives, how short the date;
Where is the man that draws his breath,
Safe from disea[s]e secure from death
When God doth call then you must go,
And leave all earthly things below,
To Wisdom's Voice then lend an ear,
And for a sudden death prepare"

(133.) "Erected in Memory of Mrs Patience Gardner, widow of Mr John Gardner of Charlestown; who died Oct. 18, 1824, Æt. 80."

Patience Gardner, widow of John Gardner, of Charlestown (see epitaph 100). She was Patience Wyman; married Jan. 18, 1770; born April 13, 1744. (*Cf.* Wyman's Charlestown, 400, 1059.) She was daughter of Benjamin and Esther Wyman, and was born in Woburn.

(134.) [Double stone.]

Mr. Jacob Ames, died Nov. 10, 1824; Æt. 73. Mrs. Esther, wife of Mr. Jacob Ames, died Dec. 14, 1836; Æt. 81.

"These Mortal bodies, now of life bereft,
Moulder and crumble back to kindred dust,
Angels of love their heavenly mansions left,
Returned to God the spirits in their trust."

Jacob Ames, son of Jacob and Rachel Eames, born June 6, 1751.

Esther Ames, widow of Jacob. Jacob Eames and Esther Tay, both of Woburn, were married Aug. 3, 1775. Esther, daughter of William and Susanna Tay, born Aug. 22, 1755.

(135.) "Erected in Memory of Lieut. Willard Jones who died Dec. 30, 1824, Æt. 55.

"My Saviour calls and I must go,
And leave you here my friends below;
But soon my God will call for thee
Prepare for death and follow me."

Lieut. Willard Jones, died Dec. 29, 1824, aged 55. He married Bridget Thompson, Aug. 20. 1793, who died Aug. 28, 1856, aged 85 years and 4 months, daughter of Hiram and Bridget (Snow) Thompson, and granddaughter of Capt. Ebenezer and Hannah (Converse) Thompson. She lived in the house at North Woburn where Count Rumford was born, being their grandparents' mansion. It is still standing, the present property of the Rumford Historical Association. She was born April 18, 1771. Willard Jones, of Wilmington, and Bridget Thompson, of Woburn, were married Aug. 20, 1793.

(136) "Mrs Sarah, widow of Mr Bartholomew Richardson, died Feb. 1, 1825 Æt. 88"

Sarah Richardson, widow of Bartholomew Richardson, was daughter of Josiah and Sarah (Evans) Converse, and was born Aug. 26. 1737. She married Bartholomew Richardson, April 10, 1760. (See epitaph 61.)

(137.) "Erected in Memory of Mr. John Flagg who died May 24. 1825 Æt. 78.

"Friends, nor Physicians cannot save,
This mortal body from the grave,
Nor can the grave confine him here,
When Christ shall call him to appear."

John Flagg, son of Zachariah and Mary, born Aug. 29, 1746.

(138.) "Erected in Memory of Mrs Lucy, wife of Mr Robert Ames; who died June 7, 1825; Æt. 39.

"Farewell my son and daughter dear,
I leave you in God's care.
Farewell dear partner of my heart,
Till we shall meet no more to part."

Lucy Ames, wife of Robert. Robert Eames and Lucy Oystead, both of Woburn, married Dec. 30, 1822. Her birth is not on Woburn Record. (See epitaph 103.)

(139.) "In Memory of Mr. Jacob Pierce, who died Oct. 2, 1825: in the 70 year of his age."

Jacob Pierce, son of Jacob and Abigail, born Dec. 28, 1755.

(140.) "Erected in Memory of Mrs. Susannah wife of Dea. Jesse Converse who died Oct. 10. 1825 Æt. 53.

"Farewell my husband and Children dear
Farewell my friends and kindred near
My Jesus calls and I must go
And leave you in this world of woe."

Susanna Converse, wife of Deacon Jesse Converse. Marriage intention of "Mr. Jesse Converse. of Woburn, and Miss Susanna Gould, of Stoneham," dated Feb. 2, 1793.

(141.) "Lavina, Daug. of Mr Larkin and Mrs Susan Livingston, died Nov. 8. 1825: Æt. 3 y & 13 days.

"Sleep on sweet babe and take thy rest,
God call'd thee home he thought it best."

Lavinia Livingston, daughter of Larkin and Susan (Munroe) Livingston; birth not on Woburn Record; parents were married in Lexington, Dec. 7, 1821.

(142.) "In Memory of Capt. John Cutter, who died Nov. 23. 1825: Æt. 55."

Capt. John Cutter, born at Menotomy (now Arlington), July 26, 1770; son of John and Rebecca (Hill) Cutter. His father was a miller in Medford. (For biographical notice of Capt. John Cutter, see History Cutter Family of New England, p. 237.)

(142½.) "In memory of Miss Caroline Parker, who died May 31, 1826 Æt. 21."

Caroline Parker, daughter of Nathan Parker (epitaph 43). Birth not on Woburn Record. According to Probate Records, Nathan Parker also had children: Clarissa, Maria, Susanna, and Polly. All except Polly were under fourteen years of age on April 14, 1808.

(143.) "In memory of Mr Daniel Bell, who died suddenly July 13, 1826; Æt 42, Also John R. son of Daniel & Phebe Bell died April 25, 1835 Æt. 14 yrs.

"When blooming youth is snatch'd away,
By death's resistless hand;
Our souls the mournful tribute pay,
Which pity must demand."

Daniel Bell. He married Mrs. Phebe Davis, *née* Richardson, both of Woburn, June 3, 1813. Birth not on Woburn Record. John Richardson Bell, son of Daniel and Phebe, was born May 12, 1821. (See epitaphs 354, 361.)

(144.) "In Memory of Mr. Obadiah Kendall, who died Aug. 14, 1826; In his 42 year.

"See here my friends as you pass by."

Obadiah Kendall, born Dec. 26, 1784; son of Obadiah (epitaph 288) and Sarah (Johnson) Kendall (epitaph 313).

(145.) "In Memory of Royal Caldwell who died Sep. 2. 1826, Æt. 27.

"The grave shall not confine me long;
This lifeless flesh shall rise;
Then shall I fly with raptures new,
To dwell where Jesus is."

Royal Caldwell and Charlotte Parker, both of Woburn, married Oct. 2, 1823. Birth not on Woburn Record. (See epitaph 360.)

(146.) "Sacred to the memory of Mr. William Cutter, who died Oct. 22, 1826: Æt. 25.

"Could youth or blooming beauty save,
Or friends preserved him from the grave,
He had not died; but, reader, know,
They saved not him, nor can they you."

William Cutter, born at Medford, Oct. 20, 1801; son of Capt. John (epitaph 142) and Mary (Hall) Cutter; died in Chelsea. (*Vide* History Cutter Family of New England, 238.)

(147.) "Here lies the remains of Dea. Samuel Tidd who departed this life Nov. 12, 1826: Æt. 39.

"The memory of his amiable manners, affectionate kindness, and ardent piety, will long be cherished by his bereaved family, the church of which he was a member, and a numerous circle of friends.

"Adieu, dear friend, now on Canan's blest shore,
Not parted long, and soon to part no more;
Yet take these tears, mortality's relief,
And till we share thy joys, forgive our grief,
These little rights, a stone, a verse receive,
T'is all thy mourning family can give."

Samuel[7] Tidd (*Samuel*[6], *Samuel*[5], *Ebenezer*[4], *John*[3], *John*[2], *John*[1]), son of Samuel and Susanna, born Nov. 6, 1787; was prominent in the military history of Woburn. He was colonel of the Second Regiment, First Brigade, Third Division, etc.; deacon of the Baptist Church; selectman, 1823, 1824, 1825; member of the Handel and Haydn Society, of Boston; a shoemaker and shoe manufacturer by trade. He led the singing in the Baptist Church, and kept singing schools in Woburn and neighboring towns. "One of the most respected men in town, and liked by all." He was a Mason, and was buried with Masonic honors, with a band of music, — a very unusual thing in those days.

(148.) "In Memory of Mrs Harriet, wife of Mr. Samuel Richardson 3d; who died Nov. 14, 1826: Æt. 26

"Farewell my husband, and my friends,
Although it rends my heart,
I trust we all shall meet on high,
Where we shall never part.

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" Also Samuel Rosewell, son of Mr. Samuel 3d and Mrs Harriet Richardson: died Dec. 25, 1826, Æt 1 mo. & 23 days.

" This lovely bud, so young and fair,
Call'd hence by early doom;
Just come to show how sweet a flower
In Paradise would bloom "

Miss Harriet Richardson and Mr. Samuel Richardson, 3d, both of Woburn, were married Dec. 27, 1825. The birth of the child is not on Woburn Record.

(149.) " Mr Ellis Viall of Charlestown died Dec. 14, 1826, Æ. 36 years.

" It is not in man that walk-
eth to direct his steps:
Therefore be ye also ready
for at an hour when ye think
not, the Son of Man cometh."

Ellis Viall, of Charlestown (see also epitaph 129). The allusion to a sudden death in the epitaph refers to him for he was killed in Medford by a wagon loaded with bricks. (*Cf.* Woburn *Journal*, Aug. 6, 1870.) He was run over by an ox-wagon loaded with brick, about five o'clock in the morning of the 13th, and died at two o'clock on the morning of Dec. 14, 1826. (Per John Swan's Diary, cited in Winchester Record II., 458.)

(151.) " In memory of Silas, son of Mr Simon & Mrs Lucy Barnard, who died March 3, 1827, Æt 1 year & 10 mo.

" Sleep on sweet babe from trouble free,
Thy parents soon will follow thee."

The Silas Barnard, son of Simon and Lucy, who, according to Woburn Records, was born April 10, 1827, must have been a later son. Simon Barnard and Lucy Simonds, both of Woburn, were married Feb. 12, 1818.

(152.) " In memory of Mr. Nathan Simonds, who died March 16, 1827 Æt 69.

" And now shall thy dust return to the earth,
Thy spirit to God who gave it
Yet affection shall tenderly cherish thy worth
And memory deeply engrave it."

Nathan Simonds, son of Benjamin and Susanna, born Oct. 23, 1757; married Bathsheba Simonds, widow of Luther. Marriage intention dated March 13, 1795. (See epitaph 310.)

(153.) " In Memory of Mrs. Esther, wife of Mr. David J. Pearson; who died March 31, 1827: Æt. 30.

" Here lies a kind and tender wife
Likewise a little infant dove;
Encircled in her Mother's arms
We trust they'r both in realms above."

Esther Pearsons, wife of David J. Pearsons. David J. Pearsons and Esther Beers, both of Woburn, married April 25, 1819. Birth not on Woburn Record.

David J. Pearsons and Pamelia Richardson, both of Woburn, married Dec. 2, 1827.

(154.) "In memory of Robert Gleason, son of Mr Robert & Mrs. Sarah Ames, who died April 24, 1827: Æt. 2 months.

"Farewell, sweet babe, we part in pain,
We only part to meet again."

Robert Gleason Ames, son of Robert and Sarah (Gleason) Ames. Birth not on Woburn Record. Robert Ames, of Woburn, and Sarah Gleason, of Billerica, were married June 1, 1826.

(155.) "In memory of William C, son of Mr. Luke & Mrs Rhoda Fowle; who died Aug. 21, 1827: Æt. 4 months."

William Clark Fowle, son of Luke and Rhoda (Clark) Fowle, born April 8,1827. (See epitaph 265.)

(156.) "Sacred to the memory of Mr. Joseph Wyman, who died Nov. 15, 1827: Æt. 36."

"I leave the world without a tear,
Save for the friends I hold so dear;
To heal their sorrows Lord! descend
My wife and children prove a friend."

"Joseph William Son of
Mr. Joseph and Mrs Lucy
T. Wyman died Aug. 17, 1825
Æt. 1 yr. 2 mo.
& 4 days."

"Joseph William,
Son of Mr. Joseph and
Mrs Lucy T. Wyman;
died July 10, 1827
Æt. 1 year."

"These lovely buds so young and fair,
Called hence by early doom;
Just come to show how sweet a flow'r,
In Paradise could bloom."

Joseph Wyman, son of David and Lucy, born in Woburn, Nov. 13, 1791.

The births of the two children are not on Woburn Record.

(157.) "In memory of Lieut. William Tay who died Nov. 28, 1827, Æt. 78."

Lieut. William Tay, son of Lieut. William and Susanna; born May 9, 1750. William Tay, 3d, of Woburn, and Hannah Pollard, of Billerica, married July 26, 1771. He was grandson of Lieut. William and Abigail (Jones) Tay (epitaph 248, First Yard). Hannah, wife of Lieut. William Tay, died 1829, Æt. 80 (epitaph 172).

(158.) "Erected by James Bridge, in memory of his wife Mrs Mary F, daughter of Dr. Sylvanus & Mrs. Mary Plympton, who died Dec. 26, 1827, Æt. 28 years. Also their infant Child."

Mrs. Mary F. Bridge, wife of James Bridge, both of Woburn, married Sept. 19, 1822; daughter of Dr. Sylvanus and Mary (Richardson) Plympton, of Woburn; born May 19, 1799 (Mary Fowle P.). Parents married May 12, 1785. The child of James Bridge died Nov. 27, 1827, aged two days. Birth not on Woburn Record.

(158½.) "In memory of Doct. Francis Kittridge, who died Feb. 24, 1827, Æt 45.

"My flesh shall slumber in the ground
'Till the last trumpet's joyful sound;
Then burst the chains with sweet surprise
And in my Saviour's image rise."

Dr. Francis Kittridge, a native of Tewksbury, a well-known physician. (See sketch in list of Woburn physicians, by W. R. Cutter, whose father was at one time his business partner.)

(159.) "In memory of Mrs. Charlotte wife of Mr. Daniel Totman; who died March 7, 1828: Æt 44. Erected by her son Eli."

Charlotte Totman (Tottingham) was the daughter of Samuel and Mehitable Winn, and was born in Woburn, Aug. 27, 1784.

(160.) "In Memory of Mr. Elijah Wyman who died April 30, 1828 Æt. 56.

"He's gone and left me here below
To mourn his loss with grief and woe
But God is just may I be still
Since 'tis my heavenly Father's will."

Elijah Wyman, son of Elijah and Huldah, born July 23, 1772.

(161.) "In Memory of Adoniram Judson, only son of Mr. William Jr., & Mrs. Catherine T. Holden, who died Nov. 28, 1828, aged 7 months.

"This lovely bud, so young and fair,
Called hence by early doom;
Just came to show how sweet a flower,
In paradise would bloom."

Adoniram Judson Holden, son of William, Jr., and Catherine T. Holden. William Holden, Jr., and Catherine T. Child, both of Woburn, married July 8, 1821. Birth not on Woburn Record. William Holden, the parent, was born in Stoneham, in 1795; was a drummer in the War of 1812, and drum-major in the Seventh Illinois Regiment in the Civil War. He died in Greenville, Ill., May 28, 1862, aged 67 years, 2 months, 18 days. (See Woburn *Budget*, June 6, 1862.)

(162.) "Julia Ann, daughter of Mr. Joshua & Mrs. Almira Stoddard, Died Dec. 3. 1828, Aged 2 yrs & 7 mos.

"Sleep on, sweet babe, & take thy rest,
God called thee home, he thought it best."

Julia Ann Stoddard, daughter of Joshua and Almira (Coburn) Stoddard. Birth not on Woburn Record. Parents both of Woburn; married May 6, 1819.

(163.) "Sacred to the memory of Mrs. Rhoda Tyler wife of Mr. Jonathan Tyler who departed this life Dec. 5, 1828; Æt. 68.

"Farewell! ! ! dear Mother, fare thee well,
Though to the mouldering earth thy body's given,
The spark that lit it once now beams in Heaven."

Rhoda Tyler, wife of Jonathan Tyler (epitaph 209). Jonathan Tyler and Rhoda Bruce, both of Woburn, married May 1, 1781. Rhoda, daughter of John and Mehitable Bruce; born in Woburn, Jan. 22, 1761. The husband, Jonathan Tyler, son of Moses and Eleanor, was born in Woburn, June 14, 1760.

(164.) "In memory of Hariot H., daug. of Mr. Putnam & Mrs. Betsey Emerson; who died Jan. 24, 1829; Æt. 2 yrs. & 3 mo.

"Sleep on sweet child from troubles free,
Thy parents soon will follow thee."

Harriet H. Emerson, daughter of Putnam and Betsey (Hartshorne) Emerson. Birth not on Woburn Record.

(165.) "In memory of Lydia Ann, daughter of Mr. Charles & Mrs Eunice Carter; who died Feb. 22, 1829; Æt. 1 yr & 9 mo.

"Sleep on sweet babe from troubles free,
Thy friends soon will follow thee."

Lydia Ann Carter, daughter of Charles and Eunice (Weston) Carter. Birth not on Woburn Records. Mrs. Eunice Carter died in Woburn, April 6, 1840, aged 37 (epitaph 279).

(166.) "In Memory of Mrs. Rebecca wife of Mr Thomas Richardson who died March 1, 1829: Æt. 55 years.

"With cheerful heart and willing mind
I'll seek the place of his abode;
And lay aside all earthly thoughts,
To join the worshipers of God."

Rebecca (Buckman) Richardson, first wife of Thomas Richardson. She was of Stoneham, and was married to Thomas Richardson, May 15, 1794.

(167.) "John C., son of John & Euseba H. Vinton, died April 3, 1829, Aged 14 days.

"Farewell, sweet babe we part in pain,
We only part to meet again."

John C. Vinton, born March 20, 1829, son of John and Eusebia H. (Fowle) Vinton, who were married in Woburn Nov. 20, 1825; a lineal descendant of Abigail (Richardson) Vinton, who died 1720; first wife of Lieut. John Vinton (*vide* her epitaph, No. 74, First Yard), and a grandson of Deacon John and Lois (Richardson) Fowle (epitaph 219). (*Vide* Vinton Memorial, p. 230, etc.) Birth not on Woburn Record.

(168.) "In Memory of Miss Phebe T. only daughter of Mr. Junius and Mrs. Phebe Richardson who died June 17, 1829, Æt. 20.

"Friends nor Physicians could not save
Her Mortal body from the grave
Nor can the grave confine it here
When Christ our Saviour shall appear."

Phebe Tay Richardson, daughter of Junius and Phebe Richardson, born Oct. 20, 1809.

(169.) "In Memory of Mrs. Hephzibah wife of Mr Elijah Leathe who died July 18, 1829 Æt. 68.

"While holy friendship drops the pious tear
And mournful garlands deck the hallowed bier,
Can bounteous heaven a greater Solace give
Than that which whispers friends departed live."

Hephzibah Leathe, widow of Elijah Leathe. Elijah Leathe and Hephzibah Brooks, both of Woburn, married June 22, 1780; daughter of Benjamin and Susanna Brooks; born March 3, 1762.

(170.) "In Memory of Mr. Cyrus Richardson, who died Aug. 21, 1829, Æt. 32."

Not mentioned in the Richardson Memorial. The marriage intention of Cyrus Richardson, of Woburn, and Lucia S. Cook, of Claremont, N. H., bears date Sept. 15, 1822.

(170½.) "In memory of Elizabeth S. daughter of Mr. George W. & Mrs. Betsey Reed; who died Sept. 7, 1829: Æt. 1 yr. 2 mo. & 6 da.

Born in Woburn, July 1, 1828.

(171.) "In Memory of Mr. Jonas Munroe who died Oct. 7. 1829, Æt. 60.

"Presented by Jonas Munroe."

Jonas Munroe and Abigail Tay, both of Woburn, married Feb. 23, 1795. Birth not on Woburn Records.

(172.) "In Memory of Mrs. Hannah wife of Lieut. William Tay who died Nov. 16. 1829 Æt. 80.

"Farewell my dear children and friends,
Here I must lie till Jesus sends,
And then I shall be called to rise
And join the song above the skies.

"This Stone was erected by her sister
Nancy Richardson & Hannah Heselton."

Hannah (Pollard) Tay, wife of Lieut. William Tay (epitaph 157).

(173.) "In memory of Sarah H., daug. of Mr. James & Mrs Sarah Tweed, who died Nov. 21, 1829, Æt. 1 year & 8 mo."

Sarah H. (Harnden?) Tweed, daughter of James, Jr., and Sarah (Harnden) Tweed, born March 10, 1828.
Mrs. Tweed was a *Harnden*, of Wilmington.

(174.) "In Memory of Mr Josiah Parker who died Jan 20 1830 Æt. 78.

"The man of Charity extends
To all his helping hands;
His kindred, neighbours, foes and friends
His pity may command."

Josiah Parker, son of Josiah and Mary (——) Parker, born in Woburn, Nov. 25, 1751. Josiah Parker, of Woburn, and Hannah Gardner, of Charlestown, married July 21, 1774. (See epitaph 253.)

(175.) "In Memory of Miss Mary daughter of Mr. John & Mrs. Elizabeth Kendall who died March 1 1830 Æt. 35.

"Lo! the pain of life is past,
All her warfare now is o'er;
Death and hell behind are cast,
Grief and suffering are no more."

Mary Kendall: birth not on Woburn Record; daughter of John and Elizabeth Kendall (epitaph 325), of Burlington.

(176.) "In Memory of Mr Clark Richardson son of Mr Junius & Mrs. Phebe Richardson who died March 8. 1830 Æt. 23.

"The eye which saw him, shall see him no more,
Neither shall his place any more behold him."

Clark Richardson, son of Junius and Phebe, born June 20, 1807.

(177.) "In Memory of Mr Edmund Richardson who died March 25. 1830 Æt. 34.

"He's gone and left me here below
To mourn his loss with grief and woe
But God is Just, may I be still
Since 'tis my heavenly Father's Will."

Edmund Richardson; birth not on Woburn Record, and not named in Vinton's Richardson Memorial. From the Probate Records, it appears that he left a widow, Lydia, and "one child only, who is a minor." He was a cordwainer, and owned a house and about an acre of land in North Woburn, bounded on the Middlesex Canal. Charles Carter was administrator of his estate.

(178.) "In Memory of Mr. Zachariah Symmes 3d who died April 16, 1831, Æt. 23.

"His mind was tranquil and serene
No terror in his looks was seen,
His Saviour's smile dispelled the gloom
And smoothed his passage to the tomb."

Zachariah Symmes, 3d, was born 1807; son of Zachariah and Hannah (Richardson) Symmes of South Woburn, now Winchester. (*Vide* Vinton's Symmes Memorial, 77.) Birth not on Woburn Record.

(179.) "Mrs Sarah wife of Mr. John Buxton Jr. died May 15. 1830 Æt. 54.

"Disease did long its work pursue
Weary and sick my joys were few.
Mourn not my friends that life has fled,
Prepare yourselves to join the dead."

Sarah Buxton, wife of John Buxton, Jr., was daughter of Joel and Sarah (Jenkins) Carter, and was born in Wilmington, May 17, 1776. Her husband died in 1840. (Epitaph 283.)

(180.) "Eleanor D. wife of Josiah Pierce Died July 13, 1830 Æt. 62.

"Erected by Mr Pierce in memory of his Mother."

Josiah Pierce and Miss Eleanor Davis were married Nov. 9, 1826. Birth not on Record.

(181.) "Affectionately inscribed To the memory of Mr. Faxton Richardson, son of Samuel & Esther Richardson who died Aug. 28, 1830, Aged 24 years & 3 months."

Faxon Richardson, son of Samuel T. and Esther Richardson, born May 21, 1806.

(182.) "In Memory of Dea. Thaddeus Davis who died Sept. 12, 1830 Aged 77 years.

"Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord
for they rest from their labours, and their
works do follow them.
He came to his grave as a shock of corn
fully ripe in its season."

Deacon Thaddeus Davis, of Bedford, and Susanna Tidd, of Woburn, married by Rev. J. Chickering, Dec. 13, 1808. He was son of Stephen and Elizabeth Davis, and was born in Bedford, Feb. 5, 1754. (See note to epitaphs 30 and 233.) Thaddeus Davis moved to Woburn, September, 1826.

(183.) "In Memory of Mrs. Sukey Richardson wife of Joseph Richardson who died October 5, 1830 Aged 29 years.

"Beloved in life,
Lamented in Death."

Sukey Richardson, wife of Joseph, daughter of Jesse and Susanna Converse, born June 15, 1801.

(184.) "In Memory of Mrs. Sarah widow of Mr. Josiah Johnson who died Nov. 28, 1830 Æt. 88 ys.

"Blessed are the dead which die in the
Lord, from henceforth; yea, saith the spirit,
that they may rest from their labours,
And their works do follow them."

Sarah (Gardner) Johnson, widow of Josiah Johnson (epitaph 40); married Dec. 2, 1760; daughter of Henry and Lucy Gardner; born April 6, 1743.

(185.) "In Memory of Mr Nathan Brooks who died Dec. 21, 1830 Æt. 42 yrs.

"Farewell, my children and partner dear,
If ought on earth could keep me here,
'Twould be my love to you.
But Jesus calls my Soul away,
Jesus forbids a longer stay,
My dearest friends, Adieu."

Nathan Brooks was born in Woburn; son of Lieut. Zachariah and Susanna (Watts) Brooks; married Maria Smith, daughter of Josiah Smith, of Lexington (born Jan. 17, 1796), June 20, 1814. (*Cf.* Brooks Geneal. in N. E. Hist. Gen. Reg., XXIX., 156.)

(186.) "In memory of Charles Augustus, son of Mr. Oliver & Mrs. Patty Fisher, who died Jan. 9, 1831, Æt. 6 months"

Charles Augustus Fisher, son of Oliver and Patty (Bell) Fisher; birth not on Woburn Record. Marriage intention of "Oliver Fisher, of Woburn, and Miss Patty Bell, of Wilmington," dated March 15, 1822.

(187.) "In Memory of Mrs Susan W. wife of Capt. Henry Flagg who died Jan. 22, 1831, Æt. 26.

"Also their Infant Child Æt. 3 weeks."

Susan W. Flagg, wife of Capt. Henry Flagg. Henry Flagg and Susan W. Jones, both of Woburn, married May, 1823; births of wife and child not on Woburn Record, apparently.

(188.) "In Memory of William E. Son of Samuel & Sarah Richardson who died Feb. 4, 1831 Æt. 20 Years.

"My flesh shall slumber in the ground,
'Till the last trumpets Joyful sound,
Then burst the chains with sweet surprise
And in my Saviour's image rise."

William Eustis Richardson, son of Samuel and Sarah, born July 16, 1810.

(189.) "In Memory of Mrs. Submit B. wife of Mr. Jonas S. Hale who died March 19, 1831 Æt. 21 Years."

Submit B Hale, first wife of Jonas S. Hale, *née* Submit Brooks Richardson, daughter of Samuel T. and Esther Richardson, born Dec. 10, 1810. Marriage intention dated Dec. 26, 1829.

(190.) "In memory of Mr. Abel Richardson, who died May 27, 1831 Æt. 96.

"In Memory of Mrs Mary wife of Mr. Abel Richardson who died Jan. 16, 1832, Æt. 93."

Abel Richardson, son of Reuben and Esther, born Oct. 23, 1736.
Mary, his wife, was daughter of Samuel and Ruth (Wright) Thompson, and was born May 24, 1741.

(191.) "In memory of Mr. Minott Johnson who died Sept. 22, 1831 Æt. 28.

"Weep not for me, O Betsey dear,
I am not dead, but sleeping here,
My glass is run, my grave you see,
Be sure to prepare to follow me."

Minot Johnson, of Woburn, and Betsey Grammer, of Boston, married Jan. 13, 1825. She was born in Boston, Nov. 5, 1805, and was daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth (Webber) Grammer. Her father, Joseph, was born in Philadelphia, and is buried in Copp's Hill Burying-Ground, Boston. Minot Johnson, her husband, was a son of Munson and Betsey (Munroe) Johnson, who were married in Lexington, March 20, 1798. The children of Munson and Betsey Johnson, were: (1) *Charlotte*, married Horatio Symmes,

of Winchester; (2) *Adelia*, married Willis Buckman; (3) *Minot;* (4) *Nathan M.;* (5) *Munson;* (6) *Elizabeth M.*, married Charles R. Thompson; (7) *Harris.*

(192.) "Erected in memory of Mr. Daniel Wyman who died Dec.^{br} 18. 1831. Æt. 80.

"Come, ye angelick guardians, come,
And lead the willing pilgrims home:
Ye know the way to Jesus' Throne,
Source of my joys, and of your own."

Daniel Wyman, son of Hezekiah and Sarah, born March 6, 1752.

(193.) "In memory of Mrs Betsey, wife of Mr. Joseph Tyler, who died Dec. 22, 1831, Æt. 34.

"In memory of two children of Mr. Joseph & Mrs. Betsey Tyler; Joseph H. died May 9, 1832, Æt. 5 Years. Lucy died Sept. 8. 1832, Æt. 9 months & 14 days."

Birth of the children not on Woburn Record. "Mr. Joseph Tyler, of Woburn, and Miss Betsey Butters, of Wilmington," were married April 13, 1826.

(194.) "Erected In memory of Mrs Ruth widow of Mr. James Weston, who departed this life Jan. 1, 1832, Æt. 65 Years."

Ruth Weston, widow of James Weston. Ruth Lawrence, daughter of Jonathan and Rachel (Wright) Lawrence (epitaphs 3 and 123); born Feb. 12, 1767. James Weston, of Reading, and Ruth Lawrence, of Woburn, married Sept. 26, 1812. James Weston, 3d, Reading, and Rhoda Reed, of Woburn, married Nov. 30, 1797.

(195.) "Sacred to the memory of Jeremiah C., Son of Rev. Samuel and Mrs Susan Mead, who died Feb. 15, 1832, Aged 19.

"Just blooming into manly beauty, full
of life and strength and promise fair,
Cut down like fairest flowers of spring
Before untimely frosts. A Mother's hope,
A sisters joy laid low, we mourn
That thou thus early must be gathered
To the tomb. Yet 'God doeth all things right'!
This was thy language to thy friends
Who wept around thy bed of death.

"Ye, too, must die! prepare your God to meet.

"Member of the Senior Class of Yale College, N. Haven."

Jeremiah Clapp Mead was born in West Amesbury, Sept. 19, 1812; early removed to this town, and became a member of the academy here at the beginning of the first term. He subsequently entered Yale College, and

died very suddenly at the residence of his mother, in Woburn, during a vacation, Feb. 15, 1832, in the 20th year of his age. He was a young man of superior talent and of rare promise. His early unexpected death was a sore affliction to his friends, and sincerely deplored by all who knew him. (Rev. L. Thompson, biographical notices Alumni Warren Academy, delivered at the reunion, Nov. 10, 1870.)

(196.) "Mary Elizabeth Wyman died Feb. 23, 1832, Aged 12 years."

Mary Elizabeth Wyman, daughter of Benjamin (?) Wyman, Jr.; birth not on Woburn Record.

(197.) "In Memory of Mr. Samuel F., only son of Mr. Samuel & Mrs. Nancy Symmes; who died March 13, 1832, Æt. 18.

"This lovely bud, so young and fair,
Called home by early doom;
Just came to show how sweet a flower,
In Paradise could bloom"

Samuel Felton Symmes, only son of Samuel and *Mary* (Richardson) Symmes, of South Woburn, now Winchester, born 1814; grandson of Judith (Eames) Symmes (epitaph 10) and Abigail (Felton) Richardson (epitaph 7). (Vinton's Symmes Memorial, p. 78.) Birth not on Woburn Record.

(198.) "In Memory of Mrs Sarah, wife of Josiah Walker, Died March 29, 1832, Æt. 71.

"Behold and read, as you pass by,
As you are now, so once was I;
As I am now so you must be;
Prepare for death, & follow me.

Sarah Walker, wife of Josiah Walker, Sr.; daughter of Bartholomew and Sarah (Converse) Richardson; born Aug. 27, 1762. (*Cf.* Winchester Record, II., 231, 238.)

(199.) "In Memory of Mrs Abigail F., wife of Mr. Baxter B. Otis, who died April 4, 1832, Æt. 22.

"Ah, can it be, and hast thou gone?
And left me thus to grieve alone?
And is thy gentle spirit fled,
And is my own dear Abby dead?
Too true, alas! yet while I mourn,
Her spirit bows before God's Throne.
With sin & suffering she has done,
And all things else beneath the sun."

Baxter B. Otis and Abigail Fisk, both of Woburn, married Oct. 9, 1828. Abigail Fisk, daughter of John and Lydia, born Jan. 4, 1810.

Baxter B. Otis and Sarah B. Mead, both of Woburn, married Dec. 25, 1832.

(200.) "John Adams, son of Leonard & Ruby Lucina Fowle, died April 6 1832, Æt. 9 ys. 3 ms. & 24 ds.

"Friends, nor physicians, could not save,
This lovely body from the grave;
Nor can the grave confine thee here;
When Christ in judgement shall appear."

John Adams Fowle, son of Leonard and Ruby Lucinia (Adams) Fowle, born Jan. 12, 1823. Parents, both of Woburn, were married Dec. 27, 1818.

(201.) "Adrianah Eliza, daughter of Samuel and Eliza Colwell, died April 16, 1832, Æt. 4 ys, & 9 mo.

"Lovely child, to heaven aspiring,
There to chant thy Maker's praise;
All thy parents fondest wishes,
Could not here prolong thy days;
Heavenly Father!
How mysterious are thy ways."

Adrianna Eliza Caldwell, daughter of Samuel and Eliza Ann (Sawyer) Caldwell, born Aug. 22, 1827.

(202.) "In Memory of two only children of Mr. John C. & Mrs. Mary M. Brackett, who died of Scarlet Fever. Sophronia S. died May 29, 1832, Æt. 4 years & 3 months; John C., died May 31, 1832, Æt. 1 year & 1 month.

"Farewell, dear babes, 'till the bright morning's rise,
Then may we hope to meet thee in the skies."

The parents, John C. Brackett, of Woburn, and Mary M. Smith, of Lexington, were married May 15, 1827. He drove a stage to Boston, and kept a stable where Lyceum Hall now is; was later a prominent member of the Baptist Church, and representative to the General Court in 1845.

(203.) "Erected in Memory of Mrs. Julia Ann wife of Dea. John Tidd, who died June 4, 1832, in the 23d year of her age.

"She sleeps! the vital spark is fled,
The lovely form to dust is given!
The spirit dwells not with the dead,
But freed has sought its rest in heaven.
Then, farewell, Julia, sweetly sleep!
Christ is thy resurrection pledge;
Friends o'er thy early grave may weep."

Julia Ann (Claflin) Tidd, second wife of Deacon John Tidd. Capt. John Tidd, and Julia Claflin, both of Woburn, were married Nov. 24, 1825. She was born in Boston, and was daughter of Warner and Nancy Claflin.

(204.) "This Stone is erected by a near Friend, To the Memory of Nancy Emeline, daughter of Lemuel & Nancy Richardson, who died July 2, 1832, Æt. 19 years.

"Where is the form so lately seen,
All dressed in Nature's bloom,
Alas! and is she now become
A tenant of the tomb!
Yes, nothing but the mortal part
Is left on earth to stay, —
The immortal spirit now is fled
To distant climes away.
Ye guardian Angels, hover round
This lovely spot of sacred ground,
Where my dear Nancy waiting lies,
Till God shall bid her relicks rise."

Nancy Emeline Richardson, daughter of Lemuel and Nancy, born March 24, 1813.

(205.) "In Memory of Mrs. Elizabeth, wife of Mr. Ruel Johnson, who died Sept. 9, 1832, Æt. 38."

Elizabeth Johnson, wife of Ruel Johnson. Ruel Johnson and Betsey Kendall, both of Woburn, married April 28, 1817. Betsey Kendall, daughter of Obadiah, Jr., and Sarah Kendall, born Aug. 10, 1794.

(206.) "In Memory of William Wade, who died Oct. 3, 1832, Aged 24 years.

"The path to Heaven leads through the grave.
Elate with hope, he can rejoice
To see death's summons come.
Praises employ his dying voice,
He goes triumphant home.
For quenchless is the light that shows
The spirit to its sweet repose."

William Wade, born Feb. 24, 1809, son of James and Mary.

(207.) "In Memory of Mr. Job Miller, who died November 2. 1832, Æt. 82.

"The Memory of the just is blessed."

Job Miller, of Charlestown, married Sarah Gould (epitaph 319), of Woburn. Marriage intention dated Jan. 13, 1776 (see epitaph 350); he served in the Revolutionary War.

(208.) "In Memory of Dea. Joseph Parker, who died Jan. 10, 1833, Æt. 51.

"Blest is the man, whose tender care
Relieves the poor in their distress.
Whose pity wipes the widows' tear,
Whose hands support the fatherless.
We hear thy groans with deep surprise,
And view thy wounds with weeping eyes;
Each bleeding wound, each dying groan,
With anguish filled and pains unknown."

Deacon Joseph Parker, Universalist deacon, son of Benjamin and Mehitabel, born June 8, 1782.

(209.) "In Memory of Mr. Jonáthan Tyler, who died February 13, 1833 Æt. 73.

"Farewell my father, fond and dear,
Death has called and we must part,
Which has often caused our tears to flow."

Jonathan Tyler and Rhoda Bruce (epitaph 163), married May 1, 1781, by Rev. J. Marrett. He was son of Moses and Eleanor, born June 14, 1760.

(210.) "Erected In memory of Mr Uri Beers, who died May 1, 1833, Æt. 34.

"If aught on earth would keep me here,
It is my wife and children dear;
But Jesus calls and I must go
To dwell with him, and angels too;
O' that the sinner when he sees
These lines erected here by me,
Would think on eternity, and pray,
Lord prepare me for that day!"

Uri Beers; birth not on Woburn Record. Uri Beers and Mary Knight, both of Woburn, married April 25, 1822.

(211.) "Abel Pierce, 3d, Son of Abel & Almira R. Pierce, died May 22, 1833, Æt. 1 yr & 9 ms.

"Suffer little children to come unto me."

Abel Pierce, 3d, son of Abel and Almira R. Pierce; birth not on Woburn Record. (See epitaph 238.)

(212.) "In memory of Mr. Ezra W. Reed, who died Dec. 13, 1833 Æt. 43."

Ezra W. Reed, son of Daniel and Elizabeth (Wyman) Reed, married Fanny Fowle, Oct. 27, 1814. He was a blacksmith, with a shop near the site of the present Baptist church; later had a shop on the spot now

occupied by the Municipal Building, and still later he was located at the corner of Pleasant and North Warren Streets. The Probate Records refer to minor children, James (over 14 years of age) and Fanny F. (under 14 years of age). His widow, Fanny, was appointed administratrix of his estate. (See History of the Reeds and Winns, by M. W. Carleton.)

(213.) "In memory of Mrs. Mary P. Reed, who died Jan. 7, 1834, Æt. 40.

"Ah, can it be, and hast thou gone,
And left us thus to grieve alone.
And is thy gentle spirit fled,
And is my own dear Mother dead."

Joshua Reed and Mary Parker were married Aug. 4, 1812.

(214.) "Daniel Wyman son of Mr. Oliver B. and Mrs. Almira W. Coolidge, died April 9, 1834, Æt. 4 months & 19 days.

"Like snow that falls upon a river,
A moment white, then gone forever."

Daniel Wyman Coolidge, son of Oliver B. and Almira W. Coolidge, born Nov. 21, 1833.

(215.) "In memory of Mrs. Hannah, wife of Col. Leonard Thompson, who was born March 17, 1790 & died April 17, 1834, Æt. 44.

"My dearest friends, weep not for me,
I am relieved from pain,
My love to you on earth was strong,
Yet death to me is gain."

Hannah (Wyman) Thompson, born and died as above stated, married Col. Leonard Thompson, Nov. 19, 1812; his first wife. She was daughter of Daniel (epitaph 192) and Hannah (Wright) Wyman (epitaph 287). Her husband married (2d) Anna B. Mead, Dec. 3, 1835; she died Feb. 22, 1855, aged 51 years. He is yet living (1874), one of the oldest citizens of Woburn.

(216.) "Erected in memory of Mrs. Elizabeth Pollard, who died Aug. 30, 1834, Aged 69.

"Behold, all you that do pass by,
As you are now so once was I.
As I am now, so you must be,
Prepare for death and follow me."

Mrs. Pollard was Elizabeth, daughter of Samuel and Susanna (Swan) Watts, born Oct. 9, 1762. (Woburn Records.) She lived in the house of John Fowle, 2d, her nephew, which stood then in the present yard of the First Congregational Church. She had a son, who went to California, and a daughter Elizabeth.

(217.) "Amanda Frances, dau. of Thomas & Rhoda Pool, died Oct. 21, 1834, Æt. 5 ys.

"After a scene of sharp distress
Her weary body has repose'd to rest."

Amanda Frances Poole, daughter of Thomas, Jr., and Rhoda Poole, born Oct. 17, 1829. Thomas Poole, Jr., and Rhoda T. Nichols, both of Woburn, married April 15, 1828.

(218.) "In Memory of Mrs. Abigail, wife of Mr. John Symmes, who died Nov. 8, 1834, Æt. 38.

"My dearest friends, weep not for me, but rejoice,
I am relieved from pain.
My love to you on earth was strong,
But death to me is gain."

Abigail (Green) Symmes, first wife of John Symmes, of South Woburn, now Winchester, married July 25, 1816; she was of Boston, and born Feb. 10, 1796. Her husband, born May 19, 1786, was son of Samuel Symmes, and grandson of Zechariah (epitaph, First Yard) and Judith (Eames) Symmes (epitaph 10, Second Yard). Her son, John Symmes, of Winchester (1873), is superintendent of the large pianoforte manufactory of Hallett, Cumston & Co., Boston. (*Vide* Vinton's Symmes Memorial, pp. 80, 111, etc.)

(219.) "Dea. John Fowle, died Dec. 9. 1834, Æt. 79.
"Mrs Lois, wife Dea. John Fowle, died Feb. 2. 1840, Æt. 81."

Deacon John Fowle, son of Josiah and Margery, born Nov. 10, 1755.
Lois Fowle, wife of Deacon John Fowle. John Fowle, 3d, and Lois Richardson, both of Woburn, married Oct. 18, 1780; daughter of Jesse and Jemima Richardson; born June 10, 1759.

(220.) "Mr. Jeremy Weston died Feb. 1. 1835, Æt. 57.

"Afflictions sore long time he bore,
Physicians were in vain;
Till God was pleased his breath to take
And ease him of his pain."

Jeremy Weston, son of Ephraim and Ruth (Richardson) Weston, born 1778. (See Richardson Memorial, p. 94; see epitaph 295.)

(221.) "In Memory of Mr. Jonas Caldwell, who died Mar. 7. 1835 Æt. 27.

"This once loved form, now cold and dead,
Each mournful thought employs.
His friend now mourns, her hopes are fled,
And withered all her joys.

Receive, O earth, his faded form;
In thy cold bosom let it lie;
Safe let it rest from every storm,
Soon must it rise no more to die;
Then may we meet to part no more."

Mr. Jonas Caldwell, son of John Caldwell, died at Burlington.

(222.) "In Memory of Mr. John Flagg, who died March 17. 1835, Æt. 55."

John Flagg, son of John and Abigail (Thompson) Flagg, born Oct. 7, 1779. (See epitaph 346.)

(223.) "In Memory of Mr. Joshua Davis, 2d, who died April 27, 1835, Æt. 47.

"Afflictions sore long time I bore,
Physicians were in vain,
Till God was pleased my breath to take
And ease me of my pain."

Joshua Davis is said to have been "a Billerica man." He married a Widow Sullivan, of Boston. He kept the Mishawum House at one time.

(224.) "In memory of Mr. John Eaton, who died June 27, 1835, Æt. 55."

John Eaton, son of Jonathan and Lucy Eaton, born Jan. 25, 1780.

(225.) "In Memory of Mr. George Richardson who died Oct. 29. 1835, Æt. 47.

"Mr Richardson was a Kind Husband, a tender Father, And a beloved member of the Church of Christ.

"Why should we mourn as in the Lord he sleeps,
Or wish him back in sorrow's mournful night,
Immortal hope can smile while memory weeps,
And trace his dwelling through a path of life.

"Then hush our grief, for o'er death's fearful gloom,
The lamp of truth its holy radiance throws;
And hopes that glow in life's unfading bloom,
Endear the stillness of his sweet repose."

George Richardson, son of Jacob and Ruth, born March 3, 1789.

(226.) "In Memory of Mrs Hannah, wife of Dea. Ebenezer Lawrence who died suddenly Nov. 25. 1835 Æt. 75.

"An affectionate mother, an industrious wife,
She worked with her hands all the days of her life,
She laid by her work, and went to repose,
Slept all night in bed and never arose.
From her sudden fate, let the living now learn
What should be their first, their greatest concern,
Prepare, mortal, O prepare now to die!
For here, shortly, very shortly, you too must lie."

Hannah (Estabrooks) Lawrence, wife of Deacon Ebenezer Lawrence (epitaph 304), married April 6, 1785; daughter of Benjamin and Hannah Estabrooks, of Lexington, and born Jan. 20, 1760. (*Vide* Bond's Watertown Genealogies, 205, 757, 829.)

(227.) "Mrs. Anna, wife of Mr. Samuel Richardson, died Dec. 8, 1835, Æt. 81."

Anna, second wife of Samuel Richardson (epitaph 273); she was born Anna Eustis, of Boston. (See Richardson Memorial, pp. 262, 263.) Marriage intention dated Nov. 28, 1782.

(228.) [One stone.] "In Memory of Mrs. Millycent, wife of Mr. Nathaniel Davis, who died Dec. 7, 1835, Æt. 75.

"In memory of Mr. Nathaniel Davis, who died Dec. 10, 1835, Æt. 76.

"Let this vain world engage no more;
Behold the gaping tomb!
It bids us seize the present hour:
Tomorrow, death may come."

Mellicent Davis, wife of Nathaniel Davis, was daughter of Ebenezer and Hannah (Estabrook) Hubbard, of Concord. Nathaniel Davis was born in Concord, and kept store in Woburn. (See epitaph 349.)*

(229.) "In Memory of Mr. Elijah Leathe, who died Dec. 13, 1835, Æt. 80."

"He trusted in Jehovah's word,
To save the human race,
His spirit left its cumbrous load,
To rest in God's embrace."

Elijah Leathe, son of Elijah and Mary, born Aug. 12, 1755.

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*A member of the family writes, that Nathaniel Davis was born in Dorchester, Oct. 28, 1759, and was son of John Davis, who married Eleanor White, on Nov. 17, 1757. Her maiden name is said to be Jones. She was the second wife of John Davis; he was born Oct. 29, 1720, and died in March, 1803. Mrs. Mellicent Davis, the wife of Nathaniel, was the eldest daughter of Ebenezer and Hannah (Estabrook) Hubbard, of Concord. She was born in 1760, probably in Concord, and was married there. The children of Nathaniel and Mellicent (Hubbard) Davis, were: (1) *Sally*, who married Benjamin Brooks Richardson, of Woburn, both now deceased; (2) *Elijah* (see epitaph 55); (3) *Nathaniel*, born Oct. 19, 1792, in Weston, Mass., and died in March, 1866, in Brunswick, Me.; (4) *John*, born 1793; (5) *Betsey*, born April 7, 1797, married Edward Upton, of Reading, and died 1889; (6) *Ebenezer Hubbard* (twin), born June 28, 1800; (7) *Hannah Estabrook* (twin), born June 28, 1800, married Gilbert Richardson, of Winchester; (8) *Samuel Hubbard* (see epitaph 349); (9) *Eleanor*, married [Josiah] Pierce.

(230.) "In Memory of Joseph Lawrence, Esq'r., who died Feb. 8. 1836, Æt. 81."

"O death! the poor man's dearest friend,
The kindest and the best;
Welcome the hour my aged limbs
Are laid with thee at rest;
The great, the wealthy, fear thy blow,
From pomp and pleasure torn;
But Oh! a blest relief to those,
That weary-laden mourn."

Joseph Lawrence, Esq., born Nov. 12, 1754, in Woburn; son of Jonathan (epitaph 3) and Rachel (Wright) Lawrence (epitaph 123) (*vide* Bond's Watertown Genealogies, 829); did service in Revolutionary War previous to 1777 (Sewall's Woburn, 571); styled lieutenant in 1800 (Sewall's Woburn, 431); also in 1799 (*ibid.*, 446); treasurer of Woburn in 1800, 1801 (*ibid.*, 583). May 26, 1793, he was admitted to membership in Woburn First Church. (Church Manual, p. 13). A silver cup was "The gift of Joseph Lawrence, Esqr., to the First Church of Christ in Woburn, 1822." (*Ibid.*, p. 47.)

(231.) "Dea. Benjamin Wyman, died Feb. 25, 1836, Æt. 68.

"Sleep on in peace! ye relics, sacred, lie!
The resurrection morn when God shall you
Restore. And as in humble, holy hope
Ye now repose, then he in beauty you
Shall clothe; and fadeless as is his own
Bright crown, forever make you like a star
To shine in heaven's unclouded skies above."

Benjamin Wyman, son of Benjamin and Elizabeth, born Aug. 8, 1767. He was deacon of the First Church, an esquire, a major, etc., and was a man of great influence in Woburn affairs. (See notice, under Military History of Woburn.)

(232.) "In Memory of Mr. Benjamin J. Fowle, who died March 20, 1836, Æt. 20 yrs."

Benjamin J. Fowle, son of Benjamin (epitaph 292) and Mary (Fowle) Fowle. (See Johnson's Woburn Births, p. 98, note.) Benjamin J. Fowle had brothers: William, born March 29, 1818, and Luther A., born Jan. 13, 1821.

(233.) "Mary D. Wife of Dea. Samuel Tidd, Died March 21 1836, Æt. 47.

"When the last trump shall wake the slumbering dead,
Commanding dust, re-inanimate, to rise,
Then joyful may'st thou leave thy lowly bed
To meet thy Saviour in the rapturous skies."

Mary D. Tidd, wife of Deacon Samuel Tidd, was daughter of Thaddeus (epitaph 182) and Sarah (Stearns) Davis, of Bedford, and was born in Bedford, April 2, 1789. Samuel Tidd and Mary Davis were married Dec. 26, 1809.

(234.) "Mr. Charles Wyman, died March 29, 1836, Æt. 44.

"Of modest manners, unaffected mind,
Lover of truth, and friend to human kind;
Go and exalt thy moral to divine;
Go live for Heaven's eternal year is thine.
Yes happy spirit cheerful go,
And with thy Saviour be;
And thy lov'd ones that mourn below,
Ere long will come to thee."

Charles Wyman, son of Samuel Eames Wyman and Anna, born Oct. 10, 1791.

(235.) "Albert, son Albert Thompson."

Albert, son of Albert and Serviah B. (Nichols) Thompson; born Aug. 22, 1835; died Sept. 13, 1836. Albert Thompson, born May 19, 1841; died Aug. 29, 1841; parents were married April 22, 1834; grandchildren of Jonathan Thompson (epitaph 241).

(236.) "Mrs. Abigail J. wife of Sumner Richardson, died Sept. 13, 1836, Aged 26 years."

"My dearest friend, and hast thou gone?
Thy body to the dust?
The purer, nobler part of thee,
To dwell among the just:
Oh, thou blest Saint, I'll not repine
But may my closing breath
Repeat these dying words of thine —
Bles't Saviour, take me thro' the vale of death."

Abigail J. Dale, of Boston, married Sumner Richardson, April 19, 1836. She was a sister of his brother Thomas's wife.

(237.) "Frances Locke, daughter of Jeduthun & Louisa Fowle, died Oct. 5th. 1836, Æt. 11 mos."

Frances Locke, daughter of Jeduthun and Louisa Fowle, born Oct. 19, 1835. (See Book of the Lockes, p. 253.)

(238.) "Mrs Almira wife of Abel Pierce, Died Oct. 15. 1836, Æt. 32.

"Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord."

Almira, wife of Abel Pierce, of Arlington. She was daughter of Josiah Harrington Russell and Sarah (Hutchinson) Russell, and baptized at Arlington, March 24, 1805; married Abel Pierce, of Charlestown, April 4, 1822.

(239.) "In Memory of Susan W., daughter of George & Nancy Richardson, who died Nov. 4, 1836, Æt. 18.

"Lo, here she lies, that lovely form
Which once we did admire,
Her spirits' gone from earth, 'twas borne
By the angelic choir.

"By her Mother."

Susan Winn Richardson, daughter of George and Nancy, born Feb. 17, 1817.

(240.) "In Memory of Miss Submit B. Thompson, who died Nov. 7, 1836, Aged 21 years.

"Oh, happy soul, released from sin and pain,
With Christ, her Saviour, she will ever reign.
No more shall pain and sickness her molest;
No, she has gone to her eternal rest."

Submit Brown Thompson, born Nov. 29, 1815, daughter of Rufus and Submit (Richardson) Thompson (epitaph 291).

(241.) "In Memory of Capt. Jonathan Thompson, A Soldier of the American Revolution, Born April 26. 1760, Died Nov. 21, 1836."

Capt. Jonathan Thompson, born and died as above stated, aged 76 years and 6 months; married Mary Richardson, Aug. 9, 1781. who died May 1, 1854, aged 90 years. He was son of Samuel, Esq., and Abigail (Tidd) Thompson (epitaph 105). (See also Thompson Memorial.)

(242.) [One stone.] "In Memory of Mr Jesse Richardson, who died Feb. 12, 1837, Aged 75 years." "In Memory of Mrs Submit, wife of Mr. Jesse Richardson, who died July 8, 1836, Aged 73 years.

"Though cold in dust these perished hearts may lie,
The spark that warmed them once can never die.
That shall resist the triumphs of decay,
When time is o'er and worlds have passed away."

Jesse Richardson, son of Zachariah and Phebe, born Aug. 20, 1761.
Submit Brown, a sister of Capt. Joseph Brown (epitaph 48), married Jesse Richardson; marriage intention dated Nov. 24, 1781.

(243.) "Franklin Pierce, Died Feb. 20, 1837 Æt. 35.

"Stop, my friend, and drop a tear,
Think on the dust that slumbers here."

Franklin Pierce, son of Abel and Ruth, born March 21, 1802.

(244.) "Affectionately Inscribed To the memory of Mr. Samuel J. Richardson, Jr., son of Samuel & Esther Richardson Who died Feb. 20, 1837, Aged 34 years & 9 months."

Samuel (Tidd) Richardson, son of Samuel T. and Esther, born May 9, 1802.

(245.) "In Memory of Mrs. Louisar R. wife of Mr. Tracey C. Nichols, who died April 20, 1837 Æt. 31.

"Her song of sorrow now hath ceased,
Mute is her voice and cold her hand;
Her broken spirit God appeased,
And called her to the better land."

Louisa R. Kimball and Tracy C. Nichols were married May 7, 1826. She was a daughter of Ezra Kimball.

(246.) "In Memory of Mr John Buxton, who died April 27, 1837, Æt. 84."

John Buxton, born in North Reading, was a shoemaker. He married Elizabeth Parker. They had issue: (1) *John*, born in Reading, died in Woburn (epitaph 283); (2) *Betsey*, married Elisha Davis, and died March 31, 1854, aged 74; (3) *Hannah*, married Benjamin F. Roberts, died March 29, 1819, aged 30; (4) *Polly*, born in North Woburn, Oct. 25, 1794, died April 22, 1874, aged 79; she was the wife of Sewall Richardson, and was married June 18, 1828; (5) an infant son, died young.

(247.) "Sacred to the Memory of Mrs Grace Ann, wife of Alfred M. Badger, who died May 21, 1837, Æt. 24.

"Farewell, my friends & Kindred dear,
I leave this world of pain;
May virtue be your practice here
'Till we shall meet again.'
My dying hour has softly come,
My cares, my sorrows, now are o'er;
Rise now, my soul, to bliss above,
And ever sing thy Saviour's love."

Alfred M. Badger is said to have lived in Montvale, in house now owned by Mr. Sewall Samson.

(248.) "Mr. Amos H. Burgess, died Aug 17, 1837, Æt. 33.
Jacob Henry died Sept. 10, 1836, Æt. 1 year.
Mary Henrietta, died Feb. 14, 1839, Æt. 22 mos.
Children of Amos H. & Mary A. Burgess."

According to Woburn Records, Mr. Amos H. Burgess, of Woburn, and Miss Mary Ann Shattuck, of West Cambridge, were married Oct. 1, 1834. The Shattuck Memorial gives her name as Mary Jane, and the marriage

as occurring Oct. 1, 1833. It says that Jacob Henry was born Sept. 13, 1834, and died Sept. 10, 1835; Mary Henrietta, born March 28, 1837, died Feb. 13, 1839. Amos H. Burgess is spoken of as being of West Cambridge. He died Aug. 17, 1837.

(249.) "In Memory of Miss Susan, daughter of Ebenezer & Lydia Cummings, who died Sept. 8, 1837, Æt 26.

"Hail, smiling seraph! earth no more
Enchains thy soul in clay;
For thou hast gone where storms are o'er
Where smiles eternal day."

Susanna Cummings, daughter of Ebenezer and Lydia Cummings, born Oct. 3, 1811. (See epitaph 112.)

(250.) "Mr. Edward Richardson, died Nov. 17, 1837 Æt, 96.
"Erected by Job Richardson."

Edward Richardson, son of Edward and Jerusha, born in Reading, Aug. 25, 1743, married, Oct. 6, 1763, Sarah Tidd (epitaph 115). (*Cf.* Richardson Memorial, pp. 251, 252.) Job Richardson was a son.

(251.) "In Memory of Nancy E. Dale, Who died Nov. 27, 1837, Æt. 21 years."

Nancy E. Dale, probably born in Milford, N. H., was a sister of Abigail J. Richardson (epitaph 236).

(252.) "Mrs. Abigail, widow of Abijah Kendall, late of Templeton, died Jan. 3d, 1838, Æt. 85."

Abigail Kendall, widow of Abijah Kendall, late of Templeton, Mass., was daughter of Jacob and Abigail Pierce; born April 16, 1753.

(253.) "Mrs. Hannah, widow of Mr. Josiah Parker, died Jan. 14, 1838, Æt. 84.

"Look here, my friend, as you pass by,
As you are now, so once was I;
As I am now so you must be,
Prepare for death and follow me."

Hannah (Gardner) Parker, widow of Josiah Parker. (See epitaph 174.)

(254.) "Mr Moses Winn, died April 16, 1838, Æt. 58."

Moses Winn, son of Jeremiah and Mehitable (Back) Winn, was born March 17, 1780. (*Cf.* Johnson's Record of Woburn Births, p. 278, note.) He was a lieutenant 1814–16, per Town Records. His wife, Sally, died 1807 (epitaph 39).

(254½.) "Jeremiah Convers Jr. died May 7, 1838, Æ. 38 y's."

Jeremiah Converse, Jr., son of Jeremiah and Jerusha, born June 28, 1795. He married sisters, Sally and Clarissa Barnard, and was captain of the Washington Light Infantry. He died 1833 (Town Records).

(255.) "In Memory of Mrs Susan, relict of Rev. Samuel Mead, late of Amesbury, Mass., who died May 10, 1838 Aged 70.

"Erected by her children.

"Thou sleepest in thy low and narrow house,
Our dearest mother! We may see thy face
No more, nor hear thy voice of gladness, till
The sea gives up its dead; We weep, but not
Like those, who have no hope. In Jesus thou
Didst die, for him didst live, and in that day
When God shall bring his ransomed home, thou wilt
Not be forgotten. Grace divine, that made
Thee what thou wast on earth, shall make thee
What thou then wilt be in heaven."

Susan (Clapp) Mead, widow of Rev. Samuel Mead. She was sister of Major Jeremiah Clapp. (See Clapp Family Memorial, and epitaph 88.)

(256.) "Abel Pierce Died May 22, 1838 Æt. 71.

"The Memory of the Just is blessed."

Abel Pierce, birth not on Woburn Record, son of James[5] (James[4], James[3], Thomas[2], Thomas[1]), married Ruth Parker, March 14, 1792.

(257.) "Lehonera B., died Aug. 7, 1838. Æt. 19 ms. & 7 ds.
James E., died Sept. 27, 1839, Æt: 10 ms. & 20 ds.
James E., died Sept. 4, 1844, Æt. 11 ms. & 4 ds.
Children of James E. & Hannah Abbot."

James E. Abbott, son of James E. and Hannah Abbott, born Sept. 30, 1843, is the only one of these children whose birth is on Woburn Records.

(258.) "Mrs. Lydia W., wife of Mr. William Young, died Aug. 23, 1838, Aged 50.

"My flesh shall slumber in the ground
Till the last trumpet's joyful sound:
Then burst the bands with sweet surprise,
And in my Saviour's image rise."

Lydia W., wife of William Young, daughter of Edward and Lucy Wyer, born June 30, 1789. (See epitaph 322.) Marriage intention of "Mr. William Young, Jr., and Miss Lydia Wyer, both of Woburn," dated June 3, 1809.

(259.) "Gilman H., son of Eli & Julia Ann Kendall, died Aug. 30, 1838, Æt. 7 ys. & 24 days.

"No prayers, nor tears, nor sighs could save
This lovely child from an earthly grave."

Gilman H. Kendall, son of Eli and Julia Ann; birth not on Woburn Record.

(260.) "Miss Sarah Carroll, died Sept. 1, 1838, Æt. 30."

Sarah Carroll (birth not on Woburn Record) was a sister of John Carroll, who was born on the ocean three days before he landed in Boston. John Carroll was a prominent citizen of Woburn, coming here from Lynn.

(261.) "John Augustine, son of John Brooks & Abigail Tay, died Sept. 17, 1838, Æt. 9 weeks & 4 ds."

John B. Tay, of Woburn, and Abigail Buck, of Wilmington, were married Sept. 26, 1837. The birth of the above child is not on Woburn Record.

(262.) "Mrs. Mary Martha, wife of Stephen Thompson, died Jan. 7, 1839, Æt. 22."

Her maiden name was Emerson.

(263.) "Mr Beniah Nay, died Feb. 20, 1839, Æt. 29.

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

Beniah Allen Nay was a currier, and had wife Serena and child Mary Elizabeth, the latter born in Woburn, April 29, 1835.

(264.) "In Memory of Mrs. Harriet C., wife of Mr. Joel Kendall who died March 4, 1839 Æt. 29.

"Here rest, dear form, in sweet repose,
Till God shall bid you rise;
Then mount the wings of Jesus' love,
And soar above the skies.
We soon shall meet again above,
No more by death to part;
And there rejoice in heavenly love,
With pure and holy heart."

Joel Kendall was a son of William, and was born in Burlington, July 16, 1808. His wife was Harriet C. Waite, of Malden.

(265.) "Rhoda C., wife of Luke Fowle, died April 22, 1839, Aged 39 years.

"O blindness, to the future kindly given,
That each may fill the circle marked by Heaven."

Rhoda C. Fowle, *née* Clark, married Luke Fowle, May 18, 1826; she came from Tewksbury. He married Eliza Richardson for his second wife. (See epitaph 155.)

(266.) "Susannah S., daughter of John & Lucy Page, died May 7, 1839, Aged 11 ys. & 8 ms.

"Cease then to mourn her early doom,
Nor wish her rescued from the tomb;
For lo! to yonder courts of light,
Her seraph soul has winged its flight."

Susanna S. Page, daughter of John and Lucy. Birth not on Woburn Record.

(267.) "Abi P., daughter of Luke Fowle, died June 24, 1834 aged 9 months & 19 days."

Abigail Parker Fowle, daughter of Luke and Rhoda Fowle, born Dec. 5, 1833. It is apparent that either the epitaph should read "6 months," or that the record of birth should be "Sept. 5."

(268.) "Mary E., daughter of Moses C. & Mary C. Trask, died Aug. 3, 1839, Æt. 6 ys. & 11 ms.

"To you the child was only lent;
While mortal, it was thine;
But now in robes immortal pent,
It lives forever mine."

Mary Elizabeth Trask, born in Woburn, Aug. 27, 1832, daughter of Moses C. and Mary C. (Cutter) Trask. (*Vide* Cutter Book, 247.)

(269.) "Died in Woburn, Aug. 10, 1839, Miss Rhoda. daughter of Philip P. & Lydia Rogers, Aged 46 years.

"Formerly of Tewksbury.

"Dear friends who survive, weep not for me,
Dear Saviour, I come to dwell with thee;
O God, the grave has no victory won,
For I have conquered through thy Son."

Philip P. was probably father of Oliver C. Rogers, who owned the brick house on the Lexington road.

(270.) "In memory of Elizabeth, a lovely child of Cyrus Holmes, A. M., & Mrs. Sophia A. H., who died Sept. 20. 1839, Aged 1 y. 4 mo. 26 ds.

"Of such is the Kingdom of Heaven."

Elizabeth Holmes, daughter of Cyrus and Sophia A. (Collamore) Holmes. Birth not on Woburn Record. Mr. Holmes was preceptor of the Warren Academy at this date.

(271.) "Henry Alden, son of Sylvester & Lavina Nichols died Oct. 1. 1839, Aged 3 ys. 6 ms. and 5 days.

"Farewell, dear child; it grieves our heart,
That we on earth so soon must part,
Hope points us up to heaven above
Where we may meet in perfect love."

Henry Alden Nichols, son of Sylvester and Lavinia, born April 18, 1836.

(272.) "Georgianna, daughter of Joshua & Almira Stoddard, died Oct. 8th 1839, Æt. 4 years.

"This lovely babe, so young & fair,
I call'd hence by early doom;
Just come to show how fair a flower
In paradise could bloom."

Georgianna Stoddard, daughter of Joshua and Almira, born Oct. 21, 1835.

(273.) "Mr. Samuel Richardson died Oct. 16, 1839, Æt. 91.

"He was honest and upright in all his dealings with his fellow creatures; always endeavouring to do unto others as he would have others do unto him.

"The church yard bears an added stone,
The fireside shows a vacant chair,
Here sadness dwells and weeps alone,
And Death displays his banner there.
The life has gone, the breath has fled,
And what has been, no more shall be;
The welcome form, the well known tread,
Oh, where are they, and where is he."

Samuel Richardson, son of Oliver and Lydia Richardson, born Dec. 5, 1748. (See epitaphs 227, 296.)

(274.) "Mr. Warren Reed, died Feb. 7, 1840, Æt. 29 years. Also Warren, Only child of Warren and Jemima Reed died Feb. 19, 1841, Æt. 2 ys & 4 ms.

"Companion, Only child, a short farewell,
Though left within this vale of tears to dwell,
I'll not repine, but bless the gracious hand
That kindly took thee to that better land.
Jesus will soon these mouldering forms restore,
Where sin and pain and death are known no more.

"They sleep in Jesus."

Warren Reed and Jemima Bailey, both of Woburn, married Sept. 11, 1834. He was son of George W. and Elizabeth (Symmes) Reed, and born in Woburn, April 10, 1811.
Warren, only child of Warren and Jemima Reed. Birth not on Woburn Record.

(275.) "Ruth Ann, daughter of Charles J. & Betsey Keen, died Feb. 22, 1840, Æt. 2 ys. & 8 mos.

"This lovely bud was reared
And blighted in its bloom."

Ruth Ann Keen, daughter of Charles T. and Betsey (Farmer) Keen, born in Woburn, June 20, 1837.

(276.) "Marshall W., son of Benjamin & Betsey C. Bosworth, died March 20, 1840, Æt. 17 mos."

Marshall W. Bosworth, son of Benjamin and Betsey C. (Wilkins) Bosworth. Birth not on Woburn Record.

(276½.) "Susan M. only child of Daniel & Mary W. Eaton, died March 25, 1840. Aged 3 yrs. & 1 month.

"An early summons Jesus sends
To call a child above,
And whisper o'er the weeping friends,
Tis all the fruit of love.
To save the little child from wo,
And guard it from all harms,
And from the many griefs below,
I call'd it to my arms.
But do not rashly with me strive,
Nor vainly fast or weep;
The child, tho' dead, is yet alive,
And only fall'n asleep.
'Tis in the Saviour's bosom laid,
And feels no sorrow there;
'Tis by a heav'nly parent fed,
And needs no more your care.
To you the child was only lent;
While mortal it was thine:
But now in robes immortal pent,
It lives forever mine.
Arise and run the heav'nly road,
Nor in dumb mourning sit;
Look up toward the child's abode,
And haste to follow it."

(277.) "Emily J. daughter of Doct. Willard & Anstris Adams, died Mar. 31, 1840, Æt. 1 yr.

"Pleasant in life lamented in death."

Emily J. Adams, daughter of Dr. Willard and Anstris (Joslin) Adams, was born in Woburn, April 2, 1839. Dr. Willard was a son of Thomas and Nancy (Wyman) Adams. (See History of Marlborough, N. H.)

(278.) "Harriet Ann, dau. of Thomas & Lucinda York, died April 4, 1840, Æt. 7 ms."

Harriet Ann York, daughter of Thomas and Lucinda. Birth not on Woburn Record. Thomas York was a laborer in the employ of Dr. Plympton, John Johnson, Sr., and others. He came from New Hampshire, and is now living in Topsfield, Mass. Mr. Stoughton B. Holden married one of his daughters.

(279.) "Mrs. Eunice, wife of Mr. Charles Carter, died April 6th, 1840, Æt. 37.

"Our dearest friend, when we recall thy worth, thy
lovely life, thy early end, we feel estranged from earth."

Eunice Carter, first wife of Charles Carter, *née* Eunice Weston, of Reading. (See epitaph 165.)

(280.) "Mrs. Lydia, wife of Maj. Abijah Thompson, died April 22, 1840, Æt. 63.

"Then since it is God's holy will,
We must be parted for a while;
In sweet submission, all as one,
We say our father's will be done."

Lydia Thompson, second wife of Major Abijah, married March 10, 1809. He died 1820 (epitaph 107). She was at the time of this marriage a widow, Lydia Bradford, *née* Jaquith, and had one child. Lydia Jaquith Thompson; died 1822 (epitaph 121). (Thompson Memorial.)

(281.) "Mr Edmund Parker, died June 28, 1840, Æt. 78.

"Like a shock of grain, ripe & seared,
Removed from friends long endeared."

Edmund Parker, son of Josiah and Mary, born March 17, 1762.

(282.) "In Memory of Dea. Josiah Converse, who died Sept. 8, 1840, in the 82d yr of his age."

Deacon Josiah Converse, of the Baptist Church and Society, Woburn; born March 14, 1759; son of Josiah and Hephzibah (Brooks) Converse (brother of Jesse and Joshua). (Sewall's Woburn, 606; also *ibid.*, 490.) Josiah Converse and Martha Tidd, both of Woburn, married by Rev. J. Marrett, March 22, 1780.

(283.) "Mr John Buxton, Jr. died Sept. 27, 1840, in his 63, year.

"The mortal part lies buried here,
Of one who was a Father dear;
This humble stone his children raise,
Though dead, his works speak forth his praise."

John Buxton, son of John Buxton (epitaph 246), was born in Reading. He was a shoemaker. His wife died in 1830 (epitaph 179). They had issue: (1) *John*, born July 29, 1803, in Wilmington; married Mary Damon, of Reading, May 22, 1843, and died March 18, 1854; (2) *Sarah*, born Aug. 20, 1805, died Feb. 6, 1863, unmarried; (3) *Elizabeth*, born Nov. 30, 1814, married Edmund Buxton, of England. She is still (1890) living, and is authority for the notes to epitaphs 179, 246, and 283.

(284.) "Mary Elizabeth only daughter Charles R. & Elizabeth M. Thompson, died Nov. 11, 1840, Æt. 5 ys.

" She was much loved while she was here
By Parents, and a Brother dear,
But now we trust she's called above.
To share her Saviours better love."

Mary Elizabeth Thompson, born Sept. 26, 1835; died Nov. 11, 1840; daughter of Charles Rosewell and Elizabeth M. (Johnson) Thompson; married Dec. 10, 1829.

(285.) " Charles F. Son of Jacob & Sarah Ann Skinner, died Dec. 6, 1841, Æt. 13 ms. & 6 ds.

" 'Twas god who gave my child to me,
Th' appointed time he stood,
It is the Lord I plainly see,
He doth what seems him good."

Charles F. Skinner, son of Jacob and Sarah Ann (Spaulding) Skinner. Birth not on Woburn Record. Parents, both of Woburn, were married Aug. 3, 1838.

(286.) " Mr Thomas Pool, died Feb. 5, 1841, Æt. 67.
" Mrs Ruth, his wife, died April 29, 1840, Æt. 67.

" Calm on the bosom of thy God,
Fair spirit, rest thee now;
E'en while with us thy footsteps trod
His seal was on thy brow.
Dust to its narrow home, beneath;
Soul to its peace, on high;
They that have seen thy look in death,
No more may fear to die."

Thomas Poole, representative of Woburn in Massachusetts Legislature in 1839. (Sewall's Woburn, 585.) Birth not on Woburn Record. Ruth, his wife, was a daughter of Jabez and Keziah (Wyman) Thompson. (See Thompson Memorial, 55.) They were married Aug. 18, 1796.

(287.) " Hannah Wright, wife of the Late Daniel Wyman, died Feb. 8, 1841, Æt. 79.

" Her God hath given her heavenly rest,
Her children dear, arise and call her blest,
And well they may, for she the Bible knew,
Her lips its knowledge dripped like early dew:
Its doctrine fed her soul, its faith sustained,
Its precepts and its spirit she maintained.
May mourning friends this last best tribute pay
By following her to realms of perfect day."

Hannah (Wright) Wyman, born April 1, 1762, daughter of John and Phebe Wright, wife of Daniel Wyman (epitaph 192).

(288.) "In Memory of Mr. Obadiah Kendall, who died Feb. 10, 1841, Æt. 84.

"Unveil thy bosom, faithful tomb,
Take this new treasure to thy trust;
And give these sacred relics room
To slumber in the silent dust."

Obadiah Kendall, born in Woburn, June 15, 1757; son of Deacon Obadiah (epitaph 58) and Elizabeth (Miles) Kendall (epitaph 118); married Sarah Johnson (epitaph 313).

(289.) "Lydia E., only dau. of Ebenezer and Margaret French, died Feb. 14, 1841, Æt. 3 ms.

"How soon this lovely child has fled,
The pleasing object of our eyes,
To sleep among the silent dead,
Till Christ shall bid her dust arise."

Ebenezer French, the father, died in 1861. He was born in Alton, N. H.

(290.) "Daniel H. Skelton, Died March 12, 1841, Æt. 23 ys.

"There is rest in Heaven."

In his will, Daniel H. Skelton refers to his sister Catharine Emma Jewett, wife of David W. Jewett, and refers to his mother, Emma Skelton, a widow. He also speaks of his uncle, Matthew Skelton, of Charlestown. One of the witnesses to his will was "Vashti Joslin."

(291.) "Mrs. Submit, wife of Mr. Rufus Thompson, died April 14, 1841, Æt. 49.

"Farewell my children fond and dear,
Whose care has long engaged my love;
Your fond embrace I now exchange
For better friends above."

Submit (Richardson) Thompson, wife of Rufus, married Jan. 19, 1815; he was the son of Leonard and Esther (Wyman) Thompson, and grandson of Samuel Thompson Esq. (epitaph 105).

(292.) "Mr. Benjamin Fowle, died April 18, 1841, Æt. 56.

"Who can shun the fatal hour,
O who can flee from death."

Benjamin Fowle, son of Benjamin and Mary (Wyman) Fowle. Benjamin Fowle, born Oct. 21, 1746, died Nov. 9, 1815, married, first, Mary Bruce, Sept. 4, 1774; second, Mary Wyman, July 26, 1781 (epitaph 75½). They had issue: (1) *Mary*, born Dec. 12, 1774, died Oct. 28, 1775; (2) *Augustus*, married Susanna Brown, 1805; (3) *Benjamin*, married Mary Fowle, Feb. 21, 1815, and died April 18, 1841; (4) *Jonathan W.*, died May 1, 1821; (5) *Mary*, married Junius Richardson, 1818. (See epitaphs 232, 111.)

(293.) "Mrs. Mary B., wife of Charles B. Stearns, died April 24, 1841, Æt. 23 ys.

"She sleeps, the vital spark is fled,
The lovely form to dust is given;
The spirit dwells not with the dead,
But freed has sought its native heaven.

"Then farewell, Mary, sweetly sleep;
Christ is thy resurrection pledge,
Friends o'er thy early grave may weep,
But love divine can grief assuage."

Mary B. Stearns, wife of Charles B. Stearns, daughter of Nathan Brooks (epitaph 185), was born in Woburn.

(294.) "Sarah E. dau. of John & Sally B. Miller died May 1, 1841, Æt. 8 mos. & 10 days."

Sarah E. Miller, daughter of John and Sally B. Miller, born Aug. 20, 1840.

(295.) "Mrs. Priscilla, wife of Jeremy Weston, died May 16, 1841, Æt. 57.

"Receive, Oh, Earth, her faded form,
In thy cold bosom let it lie,
Safe let it rest from every storm,
Soon it must rise no more to die."

Priscilla Weston, wife of Jeremy Weston (epitaph 220), was daughter of —— Perkins, and was probably born in Ipswich. Jeremy Weston after his marriage lived first in West Cambridge (now Belmont), and he died in the old brick house on the Lexington road, known as the Rogers Place.

(296.) "Mr. Samuel Richardson, Died June 26, 1841, Æt. 58.

"This is the promise of our God,
And none can make his promise void;
Then why are doubts and fears?
Eternal love will us embrace,
With all the ransomed human race,
Through never ending years."

Samuel Richardson, son of Samuel and Anna, born Jan. 4, 1784, married Sarah Wyman, daughter of Jesse Wyman. (See epitaphs 227, 273.)

(297.) "Charles C. son of George & Delphina R. Trull died Aug. 28, 1841, Æt. 4 m's.

"And of such is the Kingdom of Heaven."

Charles C. Trull, son of George and Delphina (Reed) Trull. Birth not on Woburn Record.

(298.) "Mrs Abigail P., wife of George W. Fay, died Sept. 22. 1841, Æt. 25.

"Here rest, dear form, in sweet repose,
Till God shall bid you arise;
Then mount on wings of Jesus' love
And soar above the skies."

Abigail P. Fay, wife of George W. Fay. Marriage intention of "George W. Fay and Miss Abigail Tufts, both of Woburn," dated May 11, 1834.

(299.) "In Memory of William, only son of William and Abigail Fox, who died Oct. 19. 1841. Æt. 23 ys. & 5 mos.

"This marble marks the grave of one,
Whom parents mourn as their only son;
And she whose stricken heart deplores the doom
That took him home while yet in youthful bloom
Affection strong could not retain him here,
And friends now mourn that one so bright, so dear,
No more with them lifes' joys and hopes will share,
Reader, consider, and for death prepare."

William Fox, son of William, Jr., and Abigail, born June 19, 1818.

(300.) "John H., Son of Mr. John H. & Mrs Sarah P. Flanders, died Oct. 30, 1841, Æt. 1 yr. 3 ms. & 11 ds."

John H. son of John H. and Sarah P. Flanders. Birth not on Woburn Record.

(301.) "Orlando I, only Child of Orlando W. & Mary I. Badger, died Nov. 16, 1841, Æt 4 ys. & 5 ms.

"Our dear and only child is dead,
Here in silence rest his peaceful head,
Removed from sin, distressing pain,
Forever with his God to reign."

Orlando Ingalls Badger, son of Orlando and Mary, born July 4, 1837.

(302.) "Mr Thomas Wade, died Dec. 21. 1841, Æt. 36.

"Here slumbers beneath this sod, a friend
Whose voice, silent now, on earth charmed my ear;
Sweet smiles around me play;
Tho' he who wore them has sought that shore,
Where I shall meet him, to tell him how drear
Life was where he was not,
And that he never, never was forgot."

Thomas Wade, son of Nathaniel and Hannah Wade, born July 30, 1805.

(303.) "Calvin, son of Royal & Charlotte Caldwell, died Dec. 31, 1841, Aged 17.

"My young friends, prepare to meet your God."

Calvin Caldwell, son of Royal and Charlotte, birth not on Woburn Record. (See epitaph 145.)

(304.) "Dea. Ebenezer Lawrence, died Jan. 12, 1842 Æt. 84.

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord
from henceforth; yea, saith the spirit, that
they may rest from their labours, and their
Works do follow them."

Deacon Ebenezer Lawrence, born Oct. 16, 1757, in Woburn, son of Jonathan (epitaph 3) and Rachel (Wright) Lawrence (epitaph 123); married Hannah Estabrooks; died 1835 (epitaph 226); was a soldier in the Revolutionary War (*vide* Sewall's Woburn); lived in Woburn where the Lawrence school-house now stands. May 27, 1798, Ebenezer Lawrence and Hannah Lawrence, his wife, were admitted members of Woburn First Church. (Church Manual, p. 14.) From July 2, 1812, to May 2, 1828, he held the office of deacon in that church. (*Ibid.*, p. 7.) (*Vide* Bond's Watertown Genealogies, 829.)

(305.) "Randall, Son of Doct. Willard & Austris Adams, died Feb. 17, 1842, Aged 5 mos.

"And art thou gone, sweet babe!
How brief thy stay on earth."

Randall Adams, born in Woburn, Sept. 23, 1841. (See epitaph 277.)

(306.) "Mrs. Abigail Bancroft died March 31, 1842 Æt. 70.

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

Mrs. Abigail Bancroft, wife of William of Reading. Her maiden name was Burnap. They were the parents of Cyrus Bancroft, the civil engineer, justice of the peace, etc.

(307.) "In Memory of Mrs. Catherine, wife of Samuel Gardner, of west Cambridge, formerly Charleston, who died April 23, 1842, Æt. 72.

"The memory of the just is blessed"

Catherine (Fox-Richardson) Gardner, wife of Noah Richardson and also of Samuel Gardner (epitaph 352); daughter of Jonathan and Zerviah Fox, of Woburn, born May 27, 1769. (*Cf.* Wyman's Charlestown, 400, 815; Cutter's Arlington, 251, 252.)

(308.) "Miss Eliza F. Holden, died May 16, 1842, Aged 19.

"I would not live alway; no, welcomb the tomb!
Since Jesus has lain there, I'll enter its gloom;
There sweet be my rest till he bids me arise,
To hail him in triumph descending the skies."

Eliza F. Holden, daughter of Luther and Delia (Dickerson) Holden, born May 14, 1823, died in Boston, May 16, 1842.

The following is an abstract of a genealogical register prepared for the late Simon Holden by J. A. Boutelle: —

I. Richard Holden, came over in the "Francis," in 1634, aged 25, with

his brother, Justinian. He married Martha, daughter of Stephen and Sarah Fosdick, of Charlestown. He resided in Watertown, Woburn, and Groton, in which latter place he died March 1, 1696. Tradition says that he came from Kent, England, and was the eldest of four brothers; he had eleven children.

II. Stephen, son of Richard, resided in Groton. He married Hannah ——— and died in July, 1715. He also had eleven children.

III. Stephen, son of the preceding, married, first, Hannah Sawtell, and second, Sarah Cresey. He had thirteen children.

IV. Simon Holden, son of the preceding, was born about 1731. He married first, Sarah ———, born Sept. 21, 1730, died Jan. 27, 1777; second, Lois Keyser. His issue numbered ten children: (1) *Abraham*, born May, 1753, died April 18, 1754; (2) *Hannah*, born January, 1755; (3) *Simon*, born May 23, 1757, married, first, Mary Pierce, 1777; second, Lydia Page, Nov. 26, 1794, and died July 22, 1826; (4) *Susannah*, born July 8, 1759; (5) *Abraham*, born June, 1761; (6) *Hezekiah*, born May 5, 1764, died July 27, 1767; (7) *Miriam*, born July 23, 1766; (8) *Sarah*, born Nov. 3, 1769; (9) *James*, born Feb. 19, 1772; (10) *Jemima*, born May, 1774.

V. Simon Holden, son of the preceding, had issue; (1) *Mary*, born Sept. 20, 1778, married Samuel Seaver; (2) *Simon*, born June 27, 1780, married Mary Keyser, Nov. 11, 1804, and died June 9, 1805; (3) *Nathan*, born 1782, married Delia Dickerson, and died April 13, 1807; (4) *Luther*, born 1786, married Delia (Dickerson) Holden, and died Sept. 1, 1830; (5) *James*, born Nov. 13, 1789, married Pamelia Allen, Oct. 16, 1810, died May 25, 1865; (6) *Eliza*, married Alvin Fletcher; (7) *Hannah*, married, first, Duncan Cook; second, Nathan Darling.

VI. Nathan Holden, son of the preceding, by his wife, Delia (born 1787, died Oct. 12, 1870), had issue: (1) *Simon*, born Sept. 14, 1804, married Sarah Hill Teel, daughter of Jonathan and Lydia (Hill) Teel; (2) *Caroline*, born Oct. 10, 1805, died October, 1806

Luther Holden, brother of Nathan, married his widow, and had issue: (1) *Luther*, born Jan. 25, 1813, married Lucy D. Phelps; (2) *Alvin F.*, born Nov. 30, 1814, married, first, Elizabeth Balcom; second, —— Smith; (3) *Harriet*, born Nov. 6, 1816, married Luther Fuller, and died May 19, 1852; (4) *Nathan*, born March, 1819, married Adaline Page; (5) *Sullivan*, born May 13, 1821, died unmarried in Boston; (6) *Eliza T.*, born May 14, 1823, died in Boston, May 16, 1842; (7) *Caroline E.*, born Oct. 5, 1826, married, first, John Balcom; second, Samuel G. Lord.

VII. Simon Holden, son of Nathan, by his wife, Sarah H., had issue: (1) *Albert Parker*, born Aug. 23, 1829, married Lydia Shaw, July 1, 1858, and died Dec. 21, 1859: (2) *Sarah Frances*, born March 26, 1835, married Benjamin Franklin Chamberlain, Jan. 26, 1859, and died Oct. 16, 1861; (3) *George Whitefield*, born Sept. 27, 1840, married Savilla C. Quimby, July 23, 1866.

(309.) [Stone not set.] "Mary Ann, daughter of Henry H. & Mary Ann Flanders, died Aug. 4, 1843, Æt. 1 yr & 10 ms.

"Grieve not, nor let a wish arise
She's left the scenes of earth to rise;
She's now from pain and sorrow free,
Array'd in Heaven's own Purity."

Mary Ann Flanders, daughter of Henry H. and Mary Ann (Haynes) Flanders. Birth not on Woburn Record. The mother, Mary Ann Haynes, came from Lowell.

(310.) "Sacred to the Memory of Mrs. Lucy, wife of Simon Barnard, who died Aug. 13, 1842, Æt. 46.

"By her death, her husband lost an affectionate wife, her children a kind and tender Mother.

"Dearest Mother, thou hast left us,
Here thy loss we deeply feel.
But tis God that hath bereft us,
He can all our sorrows heal.
Yet again we hope to meet thee,
When the day of life is fled;
Then in heaven with joy to greet thee,
Where no farewell tear is shed."

Lucy Barnard, wife of Simon, was a daughter of Nathan and Bathsheba (Hayward-Simonds) Simonds, and was born Sept. 27, 1796. Her husband was a native of Maine. Her brother, Nathan Simonds, while a student at Harvard, was drowned in Fresh Pond. (See Johnson's Genealogical Sketch of William Simonds.)

(311.) "In Memory of Mrs Jerusha Wade, who died Sept. 17, 1842, Æt. 84.

"The relics of departed worth,
Lie shrouded here in gloom,
And here with aching hearts we mark,
Our own dear mother's tomb."

Jerusha (Brooks-Richardson) Wade, daughter of Benjamin (epitaph 214, First Yard) and Susanna (Kendall) Brooks, born July 13, 1757; married, first, Deacon Josiah Richardson, of Woburn, April 11, 1776, who died Dec. 28, 1795 (epitaph 11, Second Yard), and, second, Ebenezer Wade, Woburn, married Dec. 9, 1806. (*Vide* Vinton Memorial, 390.)

(312.) "Mrs. Mellicent Lawrence, wife of Mr. Jacob Pierce, died Nov. 1, 1842, Æt. 46.

"Thou art gone to the grave, we no longer behold thee,
Nor tread the rough paths of the world by thy side;
But thy Saviour has passed thro' its portal before thee,
And the lamp of his love thro' the gloom is thy guide."

Mellicent (Lawrence) Pierce, wife of Jacob, daughter of Ebenezer and Hannah Lawrence, born May 17, 1796. Mr. Jacob Pierce, Jr., and Miss Mellicent Lawrence married Sept. 26, 1816.

(313.) "Mrs. Sarah, widow of Mr. Obadiah Kendall, died Jan. 23, 1843. Æt. 81.

"The churchyard bears an added stone,
The fireside a vacant chair,
Here sadness dwells and weeps alone,
And death displays his banner there."

Sarah (Johnson) Kendall, widow of Obadiah Kendall (epitaph 288): married Sept. 5, 1782; daughter of Josiah (epitaph 40) and Sarah (Gardner) Johnson (epitaph 184), born March 11, 1762.

(314.) "Elizabeth M., daughter of Stephen 2d, & Mariah P. Cutter died Feb. 14, 1843, Æt. 4 ms & 16 ds

"Go, lovely babe, go to thy rest,
Thy Saviour bids thee come;
G join the ransomed and the blest,
And leave this earthly home.
Sweet babe, adieu, a long adieu,
Till we shall meet above;
There may we join the song with you
And sing redeeming love."

Elizabeth Maria Cutter, daughter of Stephen and Maria P. (Leathe) Cutter, born Sept. 29, 1842, in Woburn, grand-daughter of Samuel Cutter (epitaph 327). (Hist. of Cutter Family, 248.) Birth not on Woburn Record.

(315.) "Mrs Ann W., wife of George W. Andrews, died Feb. 20, 1843, Æt. 24.

"Clara J., their only daughter, died Feb. 24, 1843, Aged 9 days.

"Farewell, my dearest wife! I'm loath to part
With thee, the joy and solace of my heart.
With thee, the dear companion of my care,
And bliss, when I had any bliss to share;
So round my heart, with many a fibre bound,
To give thee up inflicts the deepest wound.
But Jesus calls thee to his rest above,
Where all is joy, peace, and Heavenly love."

Marriage intention of "George W. Andrews and Miss Ann W. Leathe, both of Woburn," dated Feb. 14, 1836.

(316.) [Marble stone.] "Mr Tallman Seely, Died Feb. 20, 1843, Æt. 38."

He came to Woburn from Lexington, and was buried under arms by the Woburn Mechanic Phalanx; father of the former town clerk, the late Montressor S. Seeley.

(317.) "G. T. only Son of G. M. & Mariah Veazey, died Feb. 23, 1843, Æt 4 ms. & 7 days."

George T. Veazey, son of George M. and Maria A. Veazey. Birth not on Woburn Record.

(318.) "Mrs. Ruth, wife of Mr. Ichabod Richardson, died April 18, 1843, Æt. 71.

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

Ruth Richardson, wife of Ichabod, daughter of Ruel and Kezia Baldwin, married Sept. 21, 1791. They moved to Milford, N. H. (See Richardson Memorial, p. 339.)

(319.) "Mrs. Sarah, widow of Jobe Miller, died April 28, 1843, Æt 88."

Sarah, widow of Job Miller (epitaph 207).

(320.) "Reuben Johnson, son of Mr. John & Mrs. Sally Johnson, died May 12, 1843, Æt. 23.

"Children, near and dear, they die
And leave us here to mourn."

Reuben Johnson, son of John and Sally, born July 31, 1820.

(321.) "Mrs. Abigail, wife of Artemas Reed, died June 27, 1843, Æt. 26.

"Affection true this stone doth here erect,
For death this lovely victim did select;
Thus from the child is the mother torn,
And parents, husband, sisters deeply mourn,
Yet faith points upward to the mansion where,
Sweet hope now whispers, we may meet her there.
If we, like her, that precious grace obtain;
That makes our loss to be her heavenly gain."

Abigail Reed, wife of Artemas Reed, born Abigail Fox, Jan. 1, 1817, married Nov. 26, 1840. She was daughter of William, Jr., and Abigail Fox.

(322.) "Josephine Williamine daughter of William E. & Parnell H. Young, died July 13, 1843, Æt. 1 yr & 13 ds."

Josephine W., daughter of William E. and Parnell H. Young. Birth not on Woburn Record. "Mr. William Young and Miss Parnell [Howe] Beers" married Aug. 5, 1832. (See epitaph 258.)

(323.) "Charles H., Son of Darius & Asenath Merrill, died Aug. 13, 1843, Æt. 1 yr.

"Rest, little one, forever rest
Though parents weep below,
Safe in the bosom of thy God,
No sorrow shalt thou know."

Charles H. Merrill (birth not on Woburn Record), son of Darius and Asenath (Holt) Merrill. Marriage intention of his parents dated June 20, 1841.

(324.) "Lydia Maria, only child of Andrew D. & Mary A. Bowen, died Aug. 16, 1843, Æt. 4 mos. & 7 ds."

Lydia Maria Bowen, daughter of Andrew D. and Mary A. Birth not on Woburn Record.

(325.) "In memory of Mr. John Kendall of Burlington who died Aug. 18, 1843, Æt. 84.

"Down to the dust all must descend,
The saints of God must die;
While angels guard their souls to rest,
In dust their bodies lie.

"Elizabeth his wife died Sept. 8, 1854 Æt. 90 yr's, 5 mos. 11 days.

"They lived and died in the
Faith of the Gospel."

John Kendall, son of John and Sarah, born Dec. 5, 1758.
Elizabeth Kendall, wife of John, was born Elizabeth Barnard, and is said to have come from Maine. She was an aunt of Simon Barnard (epitaph 310). The stone to Elizabeth Kendall is not now (1890) in the yard.

(326.) "Emma Dow Dau. of Hial P. & Mary G. D. Cram died Sept. 7, 1843, Æt. 1 yr. 4 mo, & 10 days."

Emma Dow Cram was born in Weare, N. H.

(327.) "In Memory of Samuel Cutter who died Nov. 3d 1843 Æt. 59."

Samuel Cutter, born Sept. 7, 1785, son of James and Catherine (Benjamin) Cutter. His father was a native of Menotomy (now Arlington), but died in Jaffrey, N. H. (*vide* notice of Samuel Cutter in History of Cutter Family, 247). This stone has been removed to the cemetery on Salem Street.

(328.) "Mrs Margaret, wife of Elijah Leathe, died Nov. 27, 1843, Æt. 57.

"Death came commissioned 'mid our household band
Bearing his bow and quiver in his hand
At our lov'd mother he aimed his fatal dart,
And stilled the throbbing of her heart."

Marriage intention of Margaret Clark and Mr. Elijah Leathe, 3d, both of Woburn, is dated March 2, 1807.

(329.) "Sally Skinner, died Jan. 8, 1844, Æt. 64.
Abraham Skinner died May 5, 1827 Æt. 45.

"Dearest parents, you have left us
Here thy loss we deeply feel.
But tis God who hath bereft us,
He can all our sorrows heal.
In heaven we fondly hope to greet thee
When this fleeting life is o'er,
There with angels may we meet thee,
Praising God forever more."

Stephen Skinner, a son of Abraham and Sally (Johnson) Skinner, says that he was born in Woburn, June 24, 1818, and that his father, Abraham, was also, although their births are not on the records. He says his mother was a daughter of John Johnson, and she was born in Leicester or Andover. His grandfather, Abraham, married twice, and each wife was a Brooks. He himself was born in the old Brooks house, at corner of Main Street and Lake Avenue.

(330.) "William, eldest son of Simon & Lucy Barnard, died Jan. 19, 1844, Æt. 22 ys & 6 mos.

"Not love or friendship could his life ensure,
Nor blooming youth, or strength, or health secure,
Our brother dear, from an untimely end.
Deeply we mourn the loss of such a friend.
But God has done it, and His voice aloud
Bids us be ready for an early shroud.
So may we hear and hasten to obey
That death may be to us a welcome day."

William Barnard, son of Simon and Lucy, born July 1, 1821. (See epitaph 310.)

(330½.) "Albert, son of Jesse W. & Melinda E. Persons, died Jan. 25, 1844, Æt. 2 yrs. 6 mos. & 11 days.

"Sleep on dear Albert, calmly sleep!
Thy heart was gentle as a dove;
Thy memory here we'll fondly keep,
May we meet in Heaven above."

According to the Woburn Records, Albert Persons was born Aug. 14, 1841.

(331.) "Sarah Jane, Dau. of Francis & Hannah Sargent, died Feb. 24, 1844, Æt. 4 yrs. 5 mo. & 21 days.

"Grieve not, nor let a wish arise;
She's left the scenes of earth, to rise;
She's now from pain and sorrow free,
Array'd in Heaven's own purity."

(332.) "Mrs. Ruth, widow of Dea. Jacob Richardson, died Mar. 13, 1844, Æt. 77.

"The memory of the just shall live."

Ruth Richardson, widow of Jacob (epitaph 98), was daughter of Jonathan and Ruth (Wyman) Wright, born May 17, 1767, married May 25, 1786.

(333.) "Miss Fanny Fox, dau. of William & Arethusa Fox, died Mar. 17, 1844, Æt. 29."

Fanny Fox, daughter of William and Arethusa. Birth not on Woburn Record. (See epitaphs 85 and 351.)

(334.) "Mrs. Nancy widow of Mr. George Richardson, Died Oct. 9, 1844, Æt. 53.

"Beloved in life, lamented in death.

"Then sleep, fond Mother, sweetly sleep,
The turf be lightly on thee pressed!
Thy children here will come and weep,
For Memories of the just are blessed."

Nancy Richardson, widow of George (*née* Nancy Winn), married Oct. 13, 1811. (See Richardson Memorial, 410.)

(335.) "In memory of Ezra Curtis Kimball, died Oct. 18, 1844, Æt. 31.

"Dear One, in grief why weepest thou?
Why droops thy sad and mournful brow?
Why is the look so like despair?
What deep sad sorrow lingers there?
Still lift thy tearful eye above,
And hope in God, for God is love.
Sweet is the thought, time flies apace,
This earth is not our resting place.
Then, dearest one, dry up your tears,
Comfort on every side appears.
An eye beholds you from above,
The eye of God, for God is love."

Ezra Curtis Kimball, son of Ezra and Lydia Kimball, born Dec. 21, 1811.

(336.) "In memory of Mr. Josiah Walker, who died Feb. 5, 1845, Æt. 86.

"As a shock of corn fully ripe, he
has been gathered to his rest."

Josiah Walker, of Burlington, son of Josiah and Mary Walker, born March 17, 1759.

(337.) "Mrs. Mary Fowle Died April 5, 1845 Aged 57."

Mary Fowle, wife of Jesse R. Fowle, daughter of John, Jr., and Sarah Bruce, born Feb. 19, 1788. Mr. Jesse R. Fowle and Miss Polly Bruce married June 5, 1814.

(338.) "Eliza Jane, daughter of Francis & Hannah Sargent, died Apr. 24, 1845, Æt. 13 mos. & 10 ds.

"Of such my Kingdom is composed,
And thou shalt join a song,
Which Angels shall admire to hear
Sound from an Infant's tongue."

(339.) "Rufus Pierce, Died Aug. 12, 1845, Æt. 54."

Rufus Pierce, son of Jacob and Martha, born Oct. 9, 1791.

(340.) "Mrs. Sarah Ann, wife of Tyler M. Bowen, died Aug. 22, 1845, Aged 21,
"Also an Infant Child."

Sarah Ann Bowen, wife of Tyler M. Bowen, and daughter of Henry and Susan Flagg, was born Feb. 6, 1824. Tyler M. Bowen was a watch-maker.

(341.) "In Memory of Mr Varnum Richardson, who died Oct. 23, 1845, Æt. 38."

Varnum Richardson, son of Stephen and Bridget, born May 29, 1808.

(342.) "Mrs. Nancy J., wife of Charles G. Davis, died Jan. 8th, 1846, Æt. 35.

"Thy soul has passed from this vain world away,
To dwell in purity and everlasting bliss."

Her maiden name was Jones, and she was born in Strafford, N. H.
He was the son of John and Lydia (Canney) Davis, and was born in New Durham, N. H. His father came from Kittery, Me., and his mother from Farmington, N. H.

(343.) "Mr. Jesse Johnson, Died March 8, 1846 Æt. 78.

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

Jesse Johnson, son of Josiah and Sarah, born June 22, 1768.

(344.) "Mrs. Sarah L., wife of Mr. Samuel Richardson, Died March 11, 1846; Æt. 55.

"Dearest Mother, thou hast left us,
Here thy loss we deeply feel,
But 'tis God that hath bereft us;
He can all our sorrows heal.
Yet again we hope to meet thee,
When the day of life has fled;
Then in Heaven with joy to greet thee,
Where no farewell tear is shed."

Sarah L. Richardson, wife of Samuel Richardson. Samuel Richardson, Jr., and Sarah Wyman married Aug. 31, 1809.

(345.) "In Memory of Gilman Converse, who died April 14, 1846, Æt. 22 yrs. & 4 mos.

"Within this grave so calm and lowly,
Rests a friend, a brother dear;
Yet in heaven we hope to meet thee,
There to shed no farewell tear."

Gilman Converse, son of William and Hannah (Danley) Converse, was born in Billerica.

(346.) "Mrs. Abigail, wife of the late John Flagg, died Feb. 1, 1847, Æt. 99.

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

Abigail Flagg, wife of John Flagg, born in Wilmington, was daughter of James and Abigail (Simonds) Thompson. (See epitaph 222.)

(347.) "Henry Edgerly, Died June 19, 1847, Aged 39."

Henry Edgerly, son of Aaron and Lydia C. Edgerly (birth not on Woburn Record), married Nancy Jones, of Boston. Intention dated March 1, 1840.

(348.) "Mrs. Louisa Thompson, wife of Stephen Thompson, died Jan. 27, 1848, Æt. 24."

Louisa Thompson, wife of Stephen, born in Essex, N. Y. Stephen Thompson and Louisa Leslie married May 9, 1847.

(349.) "Samuel H. Davis, Died Aug. 24, 1850, Æt. 48."

He was born in Woburn. Sept. 15, 1802. His brothers and sisters were: (1) *Elijah*, married Phebe Richardson; (2) *Sally Bond*, married Benjamin Brooks Richardson; (3) *Betsey;* (4) *John;* (5) *Nathaniel;* (6) *Hannah*, married Gilbert Richardson; (7) *Ebenezer;* (8) *Eleanor*. They were children of Nathaniel and Mellicent Davis (epitaph 228). Samuel H. Davis married (March 20, 1825) Hannah Steele, of Hudson, N. H., and they had children: (1) *Hannah Maria*, born Dec. 5, 1825, died Sept. 15, 1826; (2) *Hannah Maria*, born March 3, 1827, died March 29, 1827; (3) *Samuel H.*, born Feb. 16, 1828, married Elmira Swan, March 13, 1855; (4) *Edward*, born March 15, 1830, married Mary E. Onion, April 2, 1856; (5) *Nathaniel*, born March 20, 1832, married Emily A. Mann, 1858; (6) *Charles White*, born April 12, 1834; (7) *Mary Noyes*, born Dec. 12, 1835, died Nov. 28, 1839; (8) *Royal Augustus*, born Dec. 27, 1837; (9) *George Washington*, born July 2, 1840, married Esther A. Batchelder; (10) *Martha Jane*, born March 7, 1842, married Ira Johonnot, Aug. 21, 1861, died March 5, 1862; (11) *Abigail*, born April 17, 1844, married Martin Fay, Dec. 30, 1882, died June 23, 1884; (12) *Maria*, born July 19, 1846, married Samuel Mosher, July 26, 1862, died Feb. 23, 1875; (13) *Lydia*, born Aug. 1, 1848. James C. Richardson has kindly furnished this note on the Davis family.

(350.) "Mrs. Nabby, wife of Mr. John Eaton, died July 2, 1851, Aged 71."

Nabby Eaton, wife of John, daughter of Job and Sarah Miller, born Feb. 19, 1780. (See epitaph 207.)

(351.) "Capt. William Fox, Died Feb. 10, 1852, Æt. 81.

"He hath gone to his God; he has gone to his home,
No more amid peril and eror to roam."

(352.) "In Memory of Samuel Gardner, who died at Winchester, formerly Charlestown April 15, 1858, Aged 88 yrs 1 mo, 11 ds.

"Blessed is the man that trusteth in thee."

Samuel Gardner, of Charlestown, and Widow Catherine Richardson, of Woburn, were married May 26, 1799. She died in 1842 (epitaph 307). The locality of his residence was, first, in the limits of Charlestown; next, in West Cambridge (now Arlington); and lastly, in Winchester. He was born March 4, 1770; son of Henry and Dorothy. (Wyman's Charlestown, 400.)

(352½.) "Mrs. Polly French, died Dec. 10, 1858, Æt. 78 yrs.

"Having faithfully attended her parents, and only Sister, in there declining years, her kind heart won many friends to sooth her dying pillow, and mourn her loss."

Polly Miller, daughter of Job and Sarah, was born May 3, 1782. She married Abiah (Abiel) French, "of Tewksbury," Sept. 7, 1809.

(353.) [A stick.] "M. Wyman."

Mary, wife of Nathan Wyman, aged 51, died Sept. 3, 1817.

(354.) [New marble stone.] "Phebe, wife of Daniel Bell, died Sept. 26. 1870 aged 83 yrs.

"Oh Mother art thou living yet?
And dost thou still remember me?"

(See epitaph 143.)

(355–56.) "Dr. Sylvanus Plympton Died Jan. 18. 1836, Aged 76 yrs.
"Mary, His Wife Died Nov. 1, 1835 Aged 74 yrs."

(See epitaph 14.)

(357–58.) "Henry Gardner, of Charlestown, Died June 20, 1799 aged 52 years.

"Also His widow, Martha, Died May 8, 1862 aged 97 years, 8 mos.

"Blessed are those servants, whom
the Lord, when he cometh, shall
find watching"

An obituary notice of Mrs. Gardner by Dr. Benjamin Cutter may be found in the Woburn *Budget*, May 16, 1862. She was the daughter of John and Martha (Richardson) Cutter, and was born in Woburn, Sept. 9, 1764. She was a widow for 63 years.

(359.) "Lucy Johnson Born July 19, 1776. Died Jan. 1, 1864."

Lucy Johnson, daughter of Josiah and Sarah Johnson. Birth not on Woburn Records.

(360. "Charlotte, 3rd wife of Nathan Buck of Wilmington. Died Dec. 22, 1870, Æt. 69 yrs. 8 ms."

Charlotte Parker, daughter of Benjamin and Mehitable, born May 3, 1801; married (1) Royal Caldwell (see epitaph 145); (2) Nathan Buck, March 25, 1845.

(361.) [New marble stone.] "Harriet Bell Died Jan. 23, 1885, Aged 66 yrs.

"I am trusting in the Lord."

Harriet, daughter of Daniel Bell (epitaph 143).

(362.) Epitaphs in Second Burial-Ground, Woburn, found in B. Cutter's list and not found in N. Wyman's list.

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Eames, Stephen . . . . . Dec. 17, 1839, " 49 y.
Emerson, Lydia (wooden) . . . . . [July 23, 1810] " 15 mos.
Evans, Phebe C., d. of Thos. J. and
Mary D. . . . . April 27, 1840, " 1 w'k.
Flanders, Mary, widow of William, of
Salisbury . . . . . Feb. 27, 1843, " 63 y.
Lewis, Chas. Edw., s. of Hanson and
Sarah. . . . . Mar. 5, 1840, " 3 y. 8 m.
McIntire, Abi F., w. of Caleb . . . . June 1, 1841, " 32 y.
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Elizabeth . . . . . Nov. 1, 1835, " 19 y.
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Reed, Capt. Joshua (wooden) . . . . 1806.
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Richardson, Mary, w. of Marshall . . Mar. 30, 1844, " 26 y.
Richardson, Jesse, s. of Jesse and
Submit . . . . . Dec. 11, 1843, " 62 y.
Richardson, Samuel Roswell . . . . Dec. 25, 1843, " 2 m.
Smith, John W., s. of Aaron and Harriet, Aug. 25, 1838, " 4 y. 6 m.
Wyman, Samuel Converse (wooden) . May 25, 1814, " 29 y.
Wyer, Lydia, w. of Benjamin . . . . Sept. 10, 1840, " 44 y.
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Margery	1812	62
Mary	1815	75½
Mary	1845	337
Rhoda C.	1839	265
William C.	1827	155
FOX.		
Arethusa	1817	85
Fanny	1844	333
Thomas	1816	78
William	1841	299
William (Capt.)	1852	351
FRENCH.		
Lydia E.	1841	289
Polly	1858	352½

	A. D.	EPITAPHS.
GARDNER.		
Catherine	1842	307
Catherine Fox	1816	77
Edward	1817	89
Fanny	1802	25½
Henry	1799	357
John	1802	25
John	1820	100
Martha	1862	358
Patience	1824	133
Richard	1814	68
Samuel	1858	352
HALE.		
Submit B.	1831	189
HOLDEN.		
Adoniram Judson,	1828	161
Eliza F.	1842	308
Polly	1799	20
Sally	1796	12
Sally	1821	109
Sally Tay	1824	109
HOLMES.		
Elizabeth	1839	270
HOSMER.		
Abijah T.	1823	122
Charles	1815	72
Charles R	1817	83
Rosewell T.	1816	72
JOHNSON.		
Elizabeth	1809	51
Elizabeth	1832	205
Hannah	1795	5
Jesse	1846	343
Josiah	1807	40
Keziah	1822	119
Lucy	1864	359
Luke	1811	56
Minot	1831	191
Reuben	1804	31
Reuben	1843	320
Sarah	1830	184
JONES.		
Willard (Lieut.)	1824	135

	A. D.	EPITAPHS.
KEEN.		
Ruth Ann	1840	275
KENDALL.		
Abigail	1838	252
Elizabeth	1822	118
Elizabeth	1854	325
Gilman H.	1838	259
Harriet C.	1839	264
John	1843	325
Josiah	1819	99
Mary	1830	175
Mary W.	1818	94
Obadiah (Dea.)	1811	58
Obadiah	1826	144
Obadiah	1841	288
Samuel	1795	4
Samuel	1802	26
Sarah	1843	313
KIMBALL.		
Ezra Curtis	1844	335
KITTRIDGE.		
Francis	1808	49
Francis (Dr.)	1827	158½
Francis B.	1811	49
KNIGHT.		
Martha	1817	82
LAWRENCE.		
Ebenezer	1808	46
Ebenezer (Dea.)	1842	304
Hannah	1835	226
Jonathan	1793	3
Jonathan	1795	9
Joseph, 2d.	1807	45
Joseph, Esq.	1836	230
Nathaniel	1808	47
Rachel	1823	123
LEATHE.		
Elijah	1835	229
Hephzibah	1829	169
Margaret	1843	328
LEWIS.		
Charles Edward	1840	362
LIVINGSTON.		
Lavina	1825	141
McINTIRE.		
Abi F.	1841	362
McKEE.		
Mary	1808	50
MEAD.		
Jeremiah C.	1832	195
Susan	1838	255
MERRILL.		
Charles H.	1843	323
MILLER.		
Job	1832	207
Sarah	1843	319
Sarah E.	1841	294
MUNROE.		
Abigail	1815	76
Arethusa	1835	362
Jonas	1829	171
NAY.		
Beniah	1839	263
NEWTON.		
Henry	1815	70
NICHOLS.		
Henry Alden	1839	271
Louisa R	1837	245
William	1806	38
OTIS.		
Abigail F.	1832	199
OYSTEAD.		
Mary Ann	1820	103
PAGE.		
Susanna S.	1839	266
PARKER.		
Caroline	1826	142½
Edmund	1840	281
Hannah	1838	253
Joseph (Dea.)	1833	208
Josiah	1830	174
Nathan	1807	43
Patty	1811	57

	A. D.	EPITAPHS.
PEIRCE.		
Abel	1833	211
Abel	1838	256
Abigail	1816	79
Almira	1836	238
Eleanor D.	1830	180
Franklin	1837	243
Jacob	1825	139
Mellicent	1842	312
Rufus	1845	339
Samuel	1824	131
PERSONS.		
Albert	1844	330½
Esther	1827	153
Hezekiah J.	1830	362
Rosina Gambold.	1822	116
PLYMPTON.		
Mary	1789	1
Mary	1796	14
Mary (new stone)	1835	356
Sylvanus (Dr.)	1836	355
POLLARD.		
Elizabeth	1834	216
POOLE.		
Amanda Frances.	1834	217
Ruth	1840	286
Thomas	1841	286
REED.		
Abigail	1820	106
Abigail	1843	321
Daniel	1814	65
Elizabeth S.	1829	170½
Ezra W	1821	114
Ezra W.	1833	212
Joshua (Capt.)	1806	362
Luke	1821	362
Mary P.	1834	213
Warren	1840	274
Warren	1841	274
RICHARDSON.		
Abel	1831	190
Abigail	1795	7
Abigail J.	1836	236
Albert	1844	330½

	A. D.	EPITAPHS.
RICHARDSON, — *continued.*		
Anna	1835	227
Barnabas	1816	80
Bartholomew	1812	61
Clark	1830	176
Cyrus	1829	170
Edmund	1830	177
Edward	1837	250
Elizabeth	1807	44
Faxton	1830	181
George	1835	225
Harriet	1826	148
Jacob (Dea.)	1819	98
Jeduthun (Dea.)	1815	74
Jerusha	1812	62½
Jerusha	1821	113
Jesse	1837	242
Jesse (Dea.)	1838	362
Jesse	1843	362
Joshua	1807	41
Josiah (Dea.)	1795	11
Josiah M.	1843	362
Lucy	1818	93
Mary	1820	108
Mary	1844	362
Nancy	1844	334
Nancy Emeline	1832	204
Oliver	1795	8
Phebe	1809	54
Phebe	1820	101
Phebe T.	1829	168
Rebecca	1829	166
Reuben	1818	96
Ruth	1843	318
Ruth	1844	332
Samuel	1839	273
Samuel	1841	296
Samuel Roswell.	1826	148
Samuel Roswell.	1843	362
Samuel T.	1837	244
Sarah	1821	115
Sarah	1825	136
Sarah L.	1846	344
Submit	1836	242

	A. D.	EPITAPHS.
RICHARDSON, — *continued.*		
Sukey	1830	183
Susan W	1836	239
Thomas	1803	28
Varnum	1845	341
William E	1831	188
Zachariah	1804	32
Zachariah	1814	69
ROGERS.		
Rhoda	1839	269
SARGEANT.		
Eliza Jane	1845	338
Sarah Jane	1844	331
SEELY.		
Tallman	1843	316
SILSBY.		
Samson	1824	130
SIMONDS.		
Nathan	1827	152
SKELTON.		
Daniel H	1841	290
SKINNER.		
Abraham	1827	329
Charles F	1841	285
Sally	1844	329
SMITH.		
John W	1838	362
SNOW.		
John	1824	132
STEARNS.		
Mary B	1841	293
STODDARD.		
Georgianna	1839	272
Julia Ann	1828	162
SYMMES.		
Abigail	1834	218
Charlotte	1823	126
Judith	1795	10
Samuel F	1832	197
William	1819	97
William	1822	120
Zachariah 3d,	1831	178

	A. D.	EPITAPHS.
TAY.		
Hannah	1829	172
Infant son	1814	67
John Augustus	1838	261
Joshua	1801	24
Oliver Warren	1814	67
Phebe	1814	66
William (Lieut.)	1827	157
THOMPSON.		
Abigail	1801	33
Abijah	1811	110
Abijah (Major)	1820	107
Albert		235
Esther	1818	95
Hannah	1834	215
Jonathan	1836	241
Louisa	1848	348
Lydia	1805	33
Lydia	1822	121
Lydia	1840	280
Mary Elizabeth	1840	284
Mary Martha	1839	262
Samuel (Esq.)	1820	105
Sarah	1821	110
Stephen	1803	33
Submit	1841	291
Submit B	1836	240
TIDD.		
Julia Ann	1832	203
Mary D	1836	233
Samuel	1804	30
Samuel (Dea.)	1826	147
Susan	1822	117
TOTMAN.		
Charlotte	1828	159
TRASK.		
Mary E	1839	268
TRULL.		
Charles C	1841	297
TWEED.		
Sarah H	1829	173

	A. D.	EPITAPHS.
TYLER.		
Betsey	1831	193
Jonathan	1833	209
Joseph H	1832	193
Lucy	1832	193
Rhoda	1828	163
VEAZEY.		
George T	1843	317
VIALL and VIOLL.		
Ellis	1826	149
Ellis Hobert	1824	129
VINTON.		
John C	1829	167
WADE.		
Jerusha	1842	311
Thomas	1841	302
William	1832	206
WALKER.		
John	1839	362
Josiah	1845	236
Sarah	1832	198
WESTON.		
Jeremy	1835	220
Priscilla	1841	295
Ruth	1832	194
WHEELER.		
Abijah (Col.)	1812	63
WINN.		
Moses	1838	254
Sally	1807	39
WRIGHT.		
Fanny	1801	23
Jacob	1843	362
Samuel	1807	42
WYER.		
Lydia	1840	362
WYMAN.		
Anna & infant son,	1818	90
Benjamin (Dea.),	1836	231
Catherine	1795	6
Charles	1836	234
Daniel	1831	192
Elijah	1828	160
Hannah	1841	287
John	1811	59
Joseph	1827	156
Joseph William	1825	156
Joseph William	1827	156
Mary	1796	15
Mary	1817	353
Mary Elizabeth	1832	196
Samuel Converse,	1814	362
YORK.		
Harriet Ann	1840	278
YOUNG.		
Josephine Williamine	1843	322
Lydia	1838	258

LONGEVITY IN WOBURN.

By William R. Cutter.

Longevity. — Closely connected with the subjects last treated * are the facts of longevity. A list of all the persons found in the records to the present time, who have died in Woburn at the age of 80 years and over, has been made; and the list is much longer than might be supposed, the later years, owing to the increased population and the improved methods of subsistence, showing a large number. Previous to the Revolution, it was not customary to record the ages in the town records, and such ages as are found are taken from gravestones. The town record of deaths begins in 1642. The first recorded age of a person over 80 is in 1699. For one hundred years, to 1799, the list is a short one. For the half-century from 1799 to 1850, the list is a longer one; and from 1850 to the present time, it is longer than all the rest put together.

From 1699 to 1799, the whole number is 68; over 90 are 18. The name of Richardson is represented by 8 persons; Johnson, by 6; Wright, 5; Reed, 4; Wyman, 4; Symmes, 3; all others, 38. Of 95 years and over, are 10; 1, 95; 5, 96; 1, 97; 1, 98; and 2, 99. The names of these very aged persons were as follows: —

James Converse, 1715, 95; Judith Tyng (widow of Col. Jonathan), 1736, 99; George Reed, 1756, 96; Abigail Baldwin (widow of Henry), 1771, 96; Catherine Spear (widow of John), 1775, 96; *Mr.* Perry, 1777, 98; Judith Proctor, 1783, 96; Samuel Carter, 1787, 96; Rebecca Russell (widow of Samuel), 1791, 99; Joseph Johnson, 1798, 97.

From 1799 to 1850, the whole number is 115; over 90 are 22. The name of Richardson is represented by 20 persons; Thompson, by 7; Reed, 6; Johnson, 5; Kendall, 5; Converse, 4; Leathe, 4; Wyman, 4; all others, 60. Of 95 years and over, are 8; over 100, 2; over 110, 1; the oldest being accredited with the age of 115. There are 5 of 96; 1 of 98; 1 of 104; and 1 of 115 years of age. The names of these were as follows: —

Chloe, a black (belonging to Medford), 1804, 104; Joseph Richardson, 1823, 96; Prince Walker, a black man, 1825, 115; *Widow* Holden, 1830, 96; Abel Richardson, 1831, 96; Edward Richardson, 1837, 96; Keziah Thompson, 1845, 96; Abigail Flagg, 1847, 98.

From 1850 to Aug. 30, 1889, the whole number is 330; over 90, 44; over 100, 3. Two are accredited with the age of 110; 1 was 101; 2 were 99; 2, 97; 1, 96; 2, 95. The names of the ten oldest were as follows: —

* That is, the burial-grounds.

PROPOSED INSCRIPTION FOR TABLET.*

MONTVALE AVENUE BURIAL-GROUND.

FIRST OPENED AS A PARISH BURIAL-GROUND BY THE FIRST PARISH, 1794, AND PURCHASED BY THE TOWN, 1824.

WITHIN THIS GROUND ARE BURIED

JOSHUA RICHARDSON,
SAMUEL WRIGHT,
NATHAN PARKER,
JOHN LYMAN,

VICTIMS OF THE FALL OF THE CLAPP HOUSE-FRAME, JULY 14, 1807.

JACOB COGGIN, 1803,

SCHOOL-MASTER AND PREACHER.

COLONEL ABIJAH WHEELER, 1812.

MRS. BETSEY CHICKERING, 1815.

SAMUEL THOMPSON, 1820,

MAGISTRATE AND DIARIST.

FRANCIS KITTRIDGE, 1827,
SYLVANUS PLYMPTON, 1836,
RUFUS WYMAN,

PHYSICIANS.

* See Woburn *Journal*, Nov. 30, 1883.

Susanna Ash, 1854, 95 years, 9 months; Mary McLaughlin, 1864, 97; Mary Richardson, 1864, 99 years, 7 months, 14 days; Jesse Converse, 1864, 99 years, 5 months, 8 days; Joshua Converse, 1868, 101 years, 16 days; Ellen O'Neil, 1872, 96 years, 5 months, 16 days; Ruth Wood, 1882, 95 years, 22 days; Dolly Taylor, 1882, 97 years, 2 months, 25 days; Mary McVicker, 1885, 110; Jane Burkeland, 1888, 110.

The ages in the above list are those given in the town records. In the case of very aged persons, the estimated age is apt to be placed too high. In the last century, the contemporary diarist would often record that such and such a person died "aged 90 or more"; "92 or more"; "aged 96 or 97"; "almost 100," etc.; showing a praiseworthy caution in accepting the facts currently stated; and our examination of such data shows that the lesser number given is nearer the truth; as, for instance, the person "aged 90 or more," is actually found to be 90, or more nearly 90 than any other age. It is also true that there appears to be very little examination, if any, of the local records, in many of these cases, to ascertain the exact date of birth; the friends evidently falling back upon the old habit of fixing the years by comparison with the dates of occurrences that were believed to have happened about the same time; and, in this, they depended much on their memory, not depending on accurate chronological records, which were not generally kept. There is no reason to doubt, however, that the persons mentioned were very old, and that they all had lived till they were upwards of a century, even if the time of their birth is not substantiated by the presence of accurate written records. The facts we have given may not be valuable scientifically, but are interesting historically. It will be noticed that three of the oldest persons in our list are blacks, aged respectively, 104, 110, and 115; these ages may be much exaggerated, but it is a fact stated by scientists, that while the life of a negro in Africa may be short, the negro, when transplanted to America, enjoys a longer life, longer, perhaps, on an average, than the majority of the whites. Thus there are many centenarians among that race. A few particulars regarding the persons whose names we have cited as instances of extreme longevity are here given.

Of the first group (1699-1799), JAMES CONVERSE, died "in the 95th year of his age," — gravestone,— was the last survivor of the thirty-two subscribers to the town orders of Woburn, 1640, or of the original Woburn settlers of that year. He came to this country with his father, Edward Converse, when he was about ten years old. JUDITH TYNG was formerly the wife of the Rev. Jabez Fox, of Woburn, and daughter of the elder Rev. John Reyner, minister of Plymouth, and of Dover, N. H., also. She died "in the 99th year of her age," — gravestone,— on which she is said to have been "a woman of most exemplary virtue and piety, rich in grace, ripe for glory." Her epitaph is given by her descendant Alden, Coll., I., 229; also in Sewall's Woburn, 142. The Rev. Timothy Alden, Coll., I., 225, published in 1814, gives also an extended account of the family of Rev.

Jabez Fox, his ancestor. Savage does not give the date of birth of Judith (Reyner-Fox) Tyng, but credits her as the issue of her father's second marriage, which occurred in 1642. According to her gravestone, her birth would appear to have occurred in 1638; and if she was the issue of a marriage that occurred in 1642, her age is evidently overstated. There is this to say, however; her family connections by blood and marriage were of the highest to be found in the Colonies, both for intelligence and wealth, and weight of character, and Savage may be mistaken in assigning her as the child of a later marriage of her father, when she may have been a child of an earlier marriage, or of his first. We cannot believe otherwise than that her family connections were persons of sufficient intelligence to know her precise age, and that they saw to it that her age was correctly given on her gravestone.

She is also the person referred to in the papers on the Fox-Jackson ministerial controversy in Woburn, where an *ex-parte* council of Mr. Jackson's own choosing, in December, 1746, passed an unfavorable judgment upon his conduct, touching that part of Article 6, of the accusations of the complainants against him, in which, after the Rev. John Fox and his wife had put up a note desiring that the death of their "aged mother" might be sanctified, etc., Mr. Jackson then prayed in a manner highly unbecoming to a Christian minister.

GEORGE REED died "in the 96th year of his age,"—gravestone,—was a deacon, and was born in Woburn, Sept. 14, 1660; his age was therefore correctly given as his 96th year, since he was actually 95 years, 4 months, 6 days old. (*Cf.* Sewall's Woburn, 631, 632; History Reed Fam., 105.)

ABIGAIL BALDWIN was Abigail Fisk before marriage. Samuel Thompson, Esq., the diarist, says her age was "96 or 97" when she died, and her name is the first in his consecutive list of deaths. She was born in Cambridge, "1. 2. 1674" [April 1, 1674]. (Cambridge Records.) She was therefore about 96 years, 9 months, and her age, as stated above, is quite correctly given. (*Cf.* Paige's Cambridge, 546; Hudson's Lexington, 69, 70; Vinton's Richardson Memorial, 44, 45.)

CATHERINE SPEAR and Mr. PERRY. These two were temporary residents it is supposed, in the town, on account of the Revolutionary War. The town contained a number of refugees at that period. Neither are their names those of long-standing Woburn families at that time. "Old Mrs. Spear" died, aged "almost 100," says S. Thompson in his list; but he omits all mention of old Mr. Perry. In the absence of other data of a definite character, the presumption is that the facts of very advanced age, as given in the cases of these two old persons, are evidently correct.*

* The Widow Spear resided in Rev. John Marrett's parish (Woburn Second Precinct, now Burlington), and he attended her funeral, which occurred on Nov. 30, 1775. John Spear, probably her husband, was one of the original members of the Burlington, or Woburn, Precinct Church, 1735. She was, therefore, a more permanent resident than the statement above made would imply.

JUDITH PROCTOR. The same remarks in the above two cases apply in part to this. She is not mentioned in S. Thompson's list. We have no definite information, other than the record of her death.

SAMUEL CARTER. "Capt. Samuel Carter," says S. Thompson, "died," and was "buried this week" (Jan. 21–27, 1787), "aged 92 years or more." Died Jan. 21, 1787, aged 92, according to gravestone at Arlington. He was born in Woburn, Oct. 31, 1694, and, at his death, was actually 92 years, 2 months, 20 days. His age, as given in the records, is therefore overstated, the record of the diarist and the gravestone being right. (*Cf.* Sewall's Woburn, 598; Cutter's Cutter Family, 44, 377; Cutter's Arlington, 201, 202.)

REBECCA RUSSELL. "Widow Russell died, aged about 98," says S. Thompson in diary. Her maiden name was Kendall. She was born in Woburn, Jan. 26, 1694–5. Her actual age at death was 96 years, 6 months, or 96½. Her age, as given in the records, was therefore overstated. (*Cf.* Sewall's Woburn, 621; Locke's Book of the Lockes, 28; N. E. Hist. Gen. Reg., XXXIX., 20).

JOSEPH JOHNSON. "Lieut. Joseph Johnson, 2d Parish, died, aged 97," remarks S. Thompson in his diary. He was born in Woburn, Feb. 9, 1701–2. If this date is correct, his age is but little overstated; and if 1701 is the year, 97 years is right. (*Cf.* Poole's W. W. Prov. introd. cli.)

Of the second group (1799–1850), CHLOE, the black, is described by S. Thompson in his diary as an "aged negro woman," dying in Woburn, but "buried at Medford"; she being "said to be 100 years old."

JOSEPH RICHARDSON was born in Woburn, Feb. 9, 1726–7. His age was therefore correctly stated. (*Cf.* Vinton's R. Mem., 254, 255, and his Vinton Mem., 389.)

PRINCE WALKER, the black man, was an interesting character. He was the servant or slave of the Rev. Timothy Walker, the first minister of Concord, N. H. The master originated in Woburn, and the slave is supposed to have originated here also, though his birth is not discoverable on the records. That he died at the Woburn almshouse, after an extended residence there, would show that he was probably a native of the town. The Countess of Rumford, grand-daughter of Rev. Timothy Walker, alludes to him in her memoirs. (*Cf.* Ellis's Life of Rumford, 228; Diaries of Rev. Timothy Walker, ed. 1889, 25, 30, 31, 32, 35, 37, 38, 44, 45; Bouton's Concord, N. H., 252, 253.)

WIDOW HOLDEN. No further definite information. A reference to the church records has led to an examination of the early printed church catalogues for the full name of this person, and in that of 1827, the name of Abigail Holden, adm., Nov., 1817, is found; alive in 1827, — called Mrs. William Holden, in that of 1832, in which her name is erased as a person deceased; the copies referred to being marked copies belonging to the church officers.

ABEL RICHARDSON. "Æt. 96," — gravestone. He was born in Woburn,

Oct. 23, 1736. His age, at death, therefore, would be 94 years, 7 months, 4 days. *Ætatis* signifies "year of age"; the equivalent of the phrase "in the —th year of his (or her) age," so frequently used on the stones in the First (or earliest) Burying-Ground. Abel Richardson was interred in the Second Burying-Ground. He evidently died in his 95th year, and his age in the records and on the gravestone is overstated. (*Cf.* Vinton's R. Mem., 257, and his Vinton Mem., 390; Thompson's Thompson Mem., 33.)

Edward Richardson. "Æt. 96," — gravestone. He was born in Reading, Aug. 25, 1743, and his age at death was 94 years, 2 months, 22 days. His age in the records and on the gravestone is therefore overstated. The gravestone in the Second Burying-Ground was "erected by Job Richardson," a son. (*Cf.* Vinton's R. Mem. 251, 252; Vinton Mem., 388, 389.)

Keziah Thompson. Unmarried. Born in Woburn, Feb. 15, 1747–8. Age at death, 97 years, 25 days, if the year of birth is correctly placed. She was certainly 96 years old, and her age as given in the records is not overstated. (*Cf.* Thompson's Thompson Mem., 33.)

Abigail Flagg. The *Guide-post*, Woburn, Feb. 4, 1847, under deaths, has this notice, "In this town, Widow Abigail Flagg, 99 years," — one year more than the age credited to her in the records. She was born at Wilmington, March 9, 1747–48, and her age, therefore, would be 98 years, 10 months, 22 days, if the double date is correctly placed. One authority says she was born March 9, 1747; while another says the date was March 9, 1748. The earlier date would make her age 99. Her maiden name was Thompson. (*Cf.* Thompson's Thompson Mem., 37.)

Of the third group (1850 to Aug. 30, 1889), the following particulars may be given: —

Susanna Ash. Age given as 95, in deaths, Woburn *Journal*, March 18, 1854. Widow. Born at Ipswich. Maiden name, Marshall. (*Cf.* Woburn Records, and gravestone in Woburn cemetery.)

Mary McLoughlin or McLaughlin. Age given as 97, in deaths, Woburn *Journal*, March 19, 1864. Widow. Native of Ireland. Parents unknown. Brief notice of death in Woburn *Townsman*, March 18, 1864. Maiden name, McFall. (Records.)

Mary Richardson. Unmarried. Born in Woburn, Aug. 18, 1764, daughter of Abel Richardson, of the second group. Her age is correctly given in the records. Her birthplace was Reading, according to an extended notice of her death in Woburn *Townsman*. (*Cf.* Vinton's R. Mem., 257, and his Vinton Mem., 390; Woburn *Journal*, deaths, April 2, 1864; Woburn *Townsman*, April 1, 1864.)

Jesse Converse. Born in Woburn, Feb. 9, 1765. (*Cf.* Sewall's Woburn, 606; Woburn *Journal*, deaths, and brief notice, July 23, 1864; also a long notice in Woburn *Townsman*, July 22, 1864; also N. E. Hist. Gen. Reg., XII., 224; XVIII., 378.)

Joshua Converse. Born in Woburn, Jan. 20, 1767. Brother of the

preceding. (*Cf.* Sewall's Woburn, 606, 607; Woburn *Journal*, notices, Feb. 23, 1867; Feb. 8, 15, 22, 1868; N. E. Hist. Gen. Reg., XII., 224.)

ELLEN O'NEIL. A native of Ireland, maiden name Murphy. Widow at decease. (*Cf.* Woburn *Advertiser*, Sept. 6, 1872, and Woburn *Journal*, Sept. 7, 1872, deaths.)

RUTH WOOD. Widow. Maiden name Richardson. Born in Stoneham, April 16, 1787. (*Cf.* Vinton's R. Mem., 328; Woburn *Journal*, deaths, May 12, 1882; Woburn *Advertiser*, deaths and brief notice, May 11, 1882.)

DOLLY TAYLOR. Widow. Maiden name Robie. Born in Springfield, N. H., May 13, 1785. (*Cf.* Woburn *Journal*, May 19, 1882, for mention; *ibid.*, Aug. 11, 1882, and Woburn *Advertiser*, Aug. 10, 1882, deaths and brief notice; also notice from family.)

MARY MCVICKER. Unmarried. Native of Greenock, Scotland. (*Cf.* notice in Woburn *Advertiser*, Oct. 22, 1885, where a belief in her still greater age is expressed.)

JANE BURKELAND. Colored. Born a slave in Richmond, Va. (*Cf.* Woburn *Advertiser*, May 17, 1888, and Woburn *Journal*, May 18, 25, 1888, deaths and notices. In the latter it is stated that she had seen Gen. Washington.)

WOBURN, Aug. 30, 1889.

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